

Where is he who has been  
born King of the Jews?



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota  
(A United Church of Christ)

Order of Worship

January 2, 1976

10:30 A.M.

PRELUDE "Das alte Jahr vergangen ist" J.S. Bach  
"Der Tag der ist so freudenreich"

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 8  
"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 83, page 525

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

O Almighty God, who has brought us through the changes of time to the beginning of another year, forgive us for whatever was wrong in the past year of our lives, guides us into the right way in the year that is ahead, and strengthen our resolve to walk where you lead; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Das alte Jahr ist nun dahin" Joachim a Burg

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Mary Van Evera

Job 20:20-28

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS SILENT PRAYER  
THE LORD'S PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Organ Offertory

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

\*HYMN 454 "Great God, We Sing That Mighty Hand"

NEW TESTAMENT READING

SERMON "The Importance of Believing" Mark 1:9-15

PRAYER Dr. Shepard

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RECESSIONAL HYMN 1

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE "Jesu, Meine Freude" Bach  
"Lobt Gott ihr Christen all zugleich"

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Welcome to our visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee fellowship after the service and to register in the guestbook.

The flowers today are given by Mrs. Leo J. Spooner in memory of her mother, Mrs. Robert Zuger.

The Board of Trustees is in charge of the coffee fellowship during January. Mr. and Mrs. John Adams are hosts today.

Ushers for January: Kenneth Johnson, captain, Eugene Carpenter, John Glendenning, Jr., Richard Harkey, Thomas Kohlbray, Michael Mellum.

Offering envelopes are in the church office. If you wish to use them, please take yours today.

Best wishes to John A. Mellin, Jr. and Mary Margret LaPlante who were married in the chapel December 29.

The Upper Room and Family Devotions for January-February are available from the literature rack in the vestibule.

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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

January 2, 1977

Matthew 2:1-12

Who is it who was born in Bethlehem? Matthew sees Jesus as "king of the Jews" in David's line. Luke sees Jesus as "a light for revelation to the Gentiles." John sees Jesus as the cosmic Christ, one with God from the dawn of time. Who is Jesus for us? Like us, Jesus is a human, his feet set firmly in a particular time and place. Yet his teaching and life take root across ages and national bounds. He transcends space and time, brings to our few years the overtones of eternity, and sets life on earth within the perspective of God's unbounded life.

A focus in many of Wallace Stevens' poems is the search for what he calls the "heraldic center of the universe." Each of us has her or his own search for meaning, a "centering" that we all do to find purpose, direction, significance in our lives—in our own perspectives on the universe. This essential human desire—to find unity in diversity—to observe the convergence of powers at work in the world—to center one's own experience—is captured and made sacred in the Christian celebration of Epiphany.

The manifestation of God to the Magi has several "centering" characteristics. First, the story focuses upon the communication to the Gentiles of the birth of Jesus, symbolic of a coming-together of cultures. Second, it depicts a visit of the very rich upon the very poor, a leveling of castes, an up-turning of values. Third, and perhaps most significant, it focuses upon the unity of nature and humanity. The birth of Jesus, a person, is communicated by means of a star, relating human values and experience to the way the world of nature works.

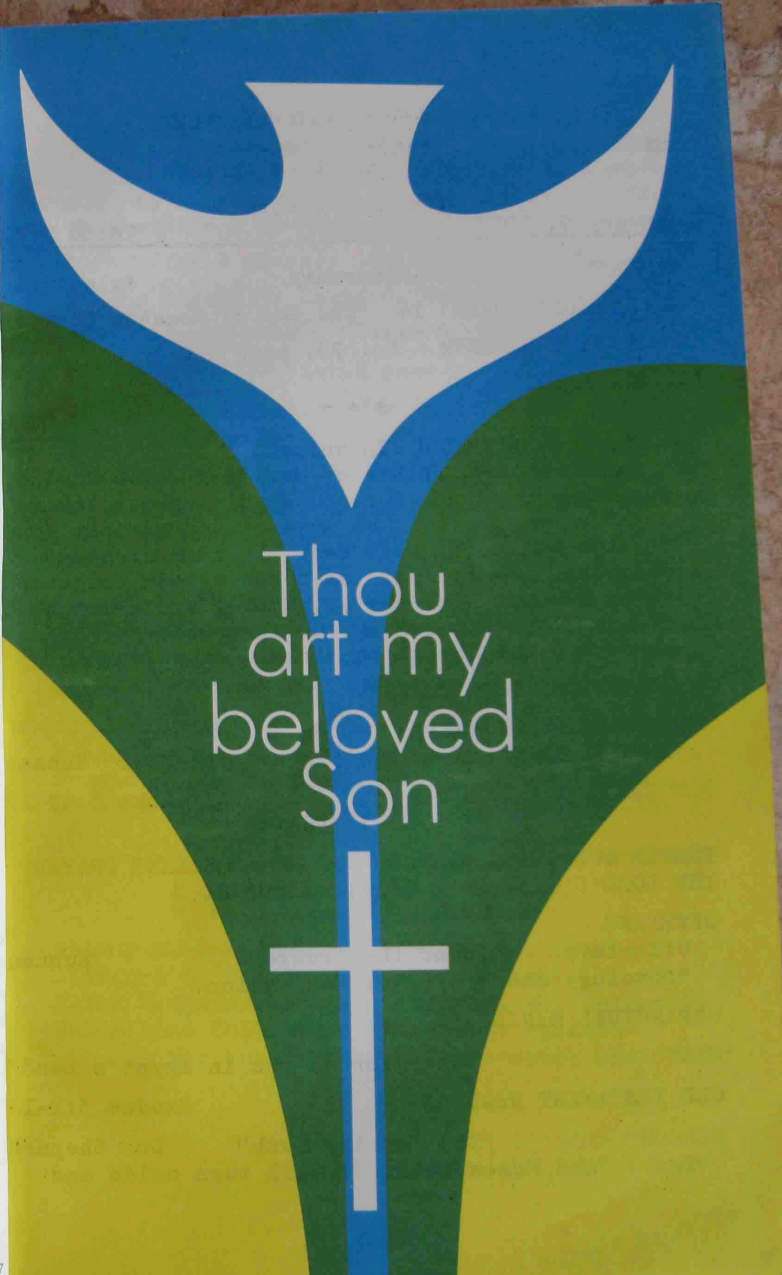
For the Christian, Jesus of Nazareth—his life, ministry, death, and life-giving spirit—is the heraldic center of the universe. Jesus is the Christ. In a special way we celebrate the Christhood of Jesus on Epiphany.

Richard J. McAfee  
Christian Board of Publication  
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)  
St. Louis, Missouri

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Thou  
art my  
beloved  
Son



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota  
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Order of Worship

January 9, 1977

10:30 A.M.

PRELUDE

Ricercare

Palestrina

- \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 14 "The God of Abraham Praise  
\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 75, page 520  
\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you have promised to receive us when we come to you. We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have disobeyed your law. We have not loved you or our neighbor as we should. Forgive us, O God, and grant that we may live and serve you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"How Brightly Shines the Morning Star" Kuhnau

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Dr. E. I. Parson

Luke 3:15-17

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS SILENT PRAYER  
THE LORD'S PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory "Sound the Trumpets"  
\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Kuhnau

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

\*HYMN 428

"When Israel Was in Egypt's Land

Exodus 3:1-10

SERMON

"The Burning Bush"

Dr. Shepard

Text: "And Moses said, 'I will turn aside and

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CALENDAR

Monday. 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts  
7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal  
Tuesday. 6:50 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group  
12:00 noon Board of Trustees  
Wednesday 12:30 p.m. Women's Fellowship luncheon meeting  
7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class.

Sign-up sheets have been placed on the bulletin in Salter Hall for all persons planning to attend either the January 16 United Church event or the January 19 annual meeting.

see this sight, why the bush is not burnt." Exodus 3:3

PRAYER

CESSIONAL HYMN 413 "Son of God, Eternal Savior"

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

OSTLUDE Diferencias (Variations) sobre el Canto del Caballero Cabezón

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welcome to our visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee fellowship after the service and register in the guestbook.

All women are invited to the Fellowship meeting Wednesday in the parlor at 12:30. Bring sandwiches; dessert and coffee will be furnished. Dr. Shepard will talk about the background of the stained glass windows.

Pilgrim Church will host a gathering of members from our United Churches of Christ in northeastern Minnesota at 5:00 on Sunday, January 16. The featured speaker will be the Rev. Joyce Myers, a missionary to Angola before fleeing the country during the civil war. There will be a potluck supper and hymn sing.

Volunteers are needed (regular or substitutes) for Home Delivered Meals." Call Helen Seymour, 728-1854.

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## FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 9, 1977

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Christians observed Epiphany before they began to celebrate Christmas. Epiphany dates to the first century, A.D. By the fourth century, along with Easter and Pentecost, Epiphany was one of the major festivals of the Eastern Church. Epiphany means "manifestation." In Jesus' birth, baptism, miracles, and transfiguration, Christians see God self-showing. Many churches neglect Epiphany. But in an age when secularity and doubt obscure the vision of God, we can make Epiphany a celebration of all times when God breaks into our hiding to manifest saving power.

### RACIAL JUSTICE

"And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice . . ." are ancient words which demand that we turn from the normal expectations for our behavior to a higher calling. But, how can we do justice in a situation where so many powers insist on injustice, especially racial injustice? After all, do we not see black people in the spotlight of variety shows; aren't Asians employed in science or technology; doesn't the Bureau of Indian Affairs provide for the needs of Native Americans?

The answer must be yes . . . but! Poverty, unequal educational opportunity, inadequate housing, inadequate diets disproportionately afflict minority communities. The rate of unemployment for minority people is staggering as compared with the rate of unemployment of the general population—and, employment means so much to people who, in any case, have so little.

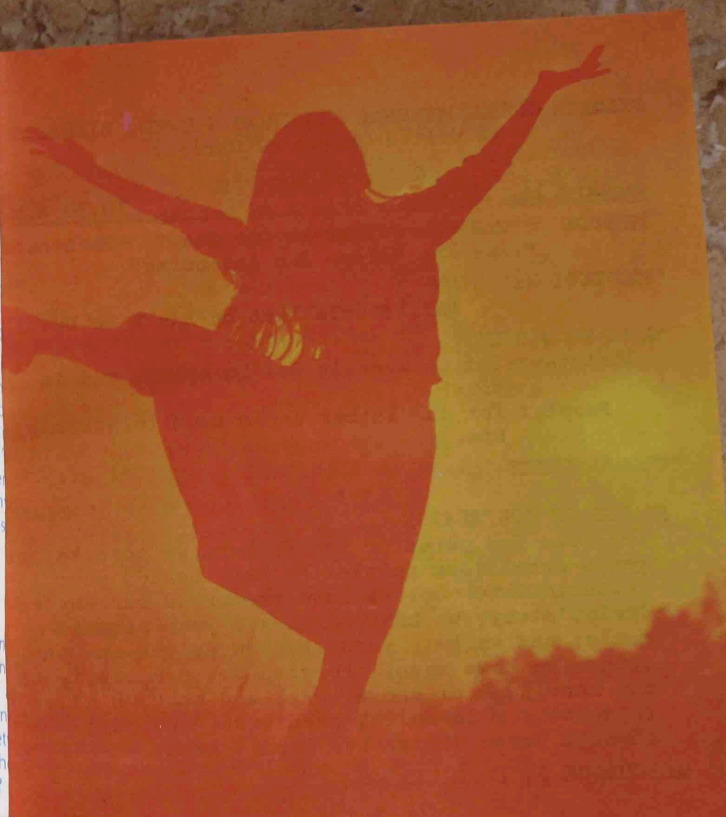
Justice is not yet a reality for people of many racial and ethnic backgrounds, and we who call ourselves followers of Jesus Christ seem to have forgotten the imperative to do justice—to do justice demands an eternal vigilance against injustice.

Earl K. Larson, Jr.  
Program Area on Church and Race  
United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.

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Order of Worship

January 16, 1977

PRELUDE "God the Father Be Our Stay" Paul Mar  
"Like the Golden Sun Ascending"

10:30 A.M.

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 4

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth,

People: For the Father seeks such to worship him.

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, Creator and Father, we come before you a rebellious people. We have denied your intentions for us; we have preferred our way to Christ's way; we have disobeyed your commandments; and we have worshiped ourselves and the things we have made. Forgive us, restore in us the knowledge of who we are, and make us alive to serve you in faith, obedience, and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"The Lord My Faithful Shepherd Is" Bach-Jennings

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 10:7-1

Clark B. Crowell, Moderator

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies" Willa

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CALENDAR

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service and Church School.  
11:45 a.m. Music Committee meeting in parlor.  
5:00 p.m. Potluck supper, hymn sing, speaker:

Monday

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts - Fellowship Hall.  
7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday

6:50 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group.

Wednesday

7:30 p.m. Annual Meeting.

Thursday

7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Decoration Committee.

HYMN 79

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Psalm 23

OLD TESTAMENT READING

PSALM

"The Shepherd's Psalm"

(2nd in a series on "The Bible's Greatest Hits")

PRAYER

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 93

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

"God of Grace"

Paul Manz

Welcome to our visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service and to register in the guestbook.

The flowers this morning are given in memory of Mr. Roger M. Woodbridge by Mrs. Woodbridge and Roger, Henry and Dwight.

Everyone is invited to a potluck supper at 5:00 this evening in Fellowship Hall sponsored by our CC churches of northeastern Minnesota. The speaker will be the Rev. Joyce Myers, former missionary to Angola. There will be movies for children.

Our East End Ecumenical Cluster will hold several neighborhood group meetings on Sunday evenings during Lent to discuss a series of spiritual classics. Each one of the six sessions in each group will be led by one of the clergy of the cluster. Sign up on the table in Salter Hall if you would like to participate.

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## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 16, 1977

1 Corinthians 12:4-6

For two hours, let the members of an orchestra play one note to beat on identical instruments. The result could be shattering! Variety in music's soul. Without a Brahms or Bartok to draw rhythm and harmony from diverse instruments, an orchestra might produce only discord. Unity, too, is music's soul. Similarly, the church lives by varied skills: tending altar and waiting table, teaching and housekeeping, ministering, managing money, and making melody. All these skills manifest one Spirit and one goal: our common good in the Community of Faith.

### M POWER IS FOR YOU!

During 1976 and 1977, the conferences of the United Church of Christ are working in cooperation with our denomination's Stewardship Council in a program known as *M Power*, a program that encompasses a variety of activities determined according to the individual needs of each of the conferences and their congregations for strengthening the church's work at all levels: local, national, and global.

*M Power* is based on the conviction that the United Church of Christ has a great, unrealized potential for greater nurture of our own members and for increased mission to others. This potential can be released if members and congregations will take with new seriousness our denomination's guidelines for giving:

- Members to give for the total work of the church at least \$1 per week for every \$1,000 of annual income.
- Congregations to give for Basic Support for Our Christian World Mission an amount equal to at least 25% of current local expenses.

Some members and some congregations of the U.C.C. are meeting or are exceeding these standards. Others have not yet given them serious consideration. It is expected that the *M Power* program will empower the work and ministry of each participating congregation and will result in more money and more persons for more mission in every sphere of the church's life.

You can help to determine the response to the *M Power* challenge both in terms of your own participation and support and also your own congregation's participation and support. *M Power* is for you!

The Spirit  
of the Lord  
is upon me





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
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January 23, 1977

10:30 A.M.

PRELUDE

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 64

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 87, page 527

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Spirit of Truth, in your light we see where we are. We cannot hide from you; help us not to hide from ourselves. We know that in many ways this past week we have not shown a wholehearted love for you or for our neighbor. With your enabling we can do better in the week ahead. We pray then for the healing that comes through your forgiveness, the clarity that comes through your guidance and the strength that comes through your power. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (see p. 498 in hymnal)  
Geoffrey McLennan Welles

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" arr. Paul Ma

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory

"Grant Peace, We Pray"

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication Mendelssohn-Scha

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Installation of Newly Elected Officers

\*HYMN 38

"Morning Has Broken"

SCRIPTURE READING

Song of Songs 2:8-17

Bruce Buchanan

SERMON

"Love Song"

Dr. Shepard

(3rd in a series on "The Bible's Greatest Hits")

Text: "My beloved speaks and says to me:

'Arise, my love, my fair one, and  
come away'" Song of Songs 2:10

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 66 "For the Beauty of the Earth"

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Welcome to our visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service and to register in the guestbook or to fill out one of the "Welcome" cards behind the pews and place it in the offering.

The flowers this morning are given in memory of Ralph S. Knowlton by Mrs. Knowlton.

A benefit recital for the Duluth-Superior Youth Orchestra will be presented by John Taddiken and Friends at 3:00 this afternoon in the Science Auditorium of the College of St. Scholastica. All are welcome.

The sign-up sheet for the East End Ecumenical Cluster neighborhood group Sunday evening meetings during Lent is on the bulletin board outside the office.

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at a place to be announced

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### THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 23, 1977

Luke 4:14-21

As a Christian, you have been baptized, not only into a community of faith, but also for Christ-like work in the world. You have been anointed into Jesus' mission. You are baptized for work with those who need a hand, up and out of the trap set by poverty, ignorance, and disease. You are to aid psychological and political captives in their struggle to be free, to restore sight to the blind in eye and soul, to manifest God's compassion and power to those who live in apathy, fear, and despair. In this manner the Lord's Spirit is to be upon you!

#### STRENGTHENING OUR RESOLVE

The factionalism of the early church in Corinth caused St. Paul to ask, "Is Christ divided?" (*I Corinthians* 1:13). The answer which the apostle expected was obviously, "No." The answer was intended by him to serve as a reason for stamping out the factionalism that divided the members of that church.

We must ask ourselves that same question. We should realize that our answer should be the same. Thus it must appear to us as an imperative for the establishment of full unity among those who profess Jesus Christ as Lord and Redeemer and who have been baptized in the name of the Triune God. Our divisions far surpass the factionalism of the Corinthians which appeared scandalous to St. Paul.

The apostle elsewhere reminds us: "There is one body and one Spirit ... one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all, who is above all and through all and in all" (*Ephesians* 4:4-6). We know that we Christians do not mirror that unity in our relationships to one another.

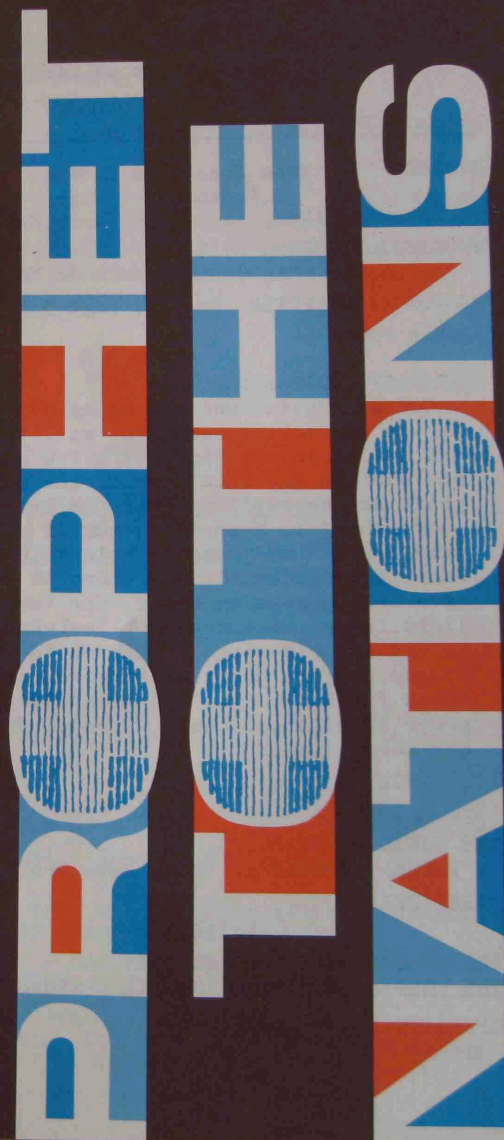
The restoration of unity among Christians may not—indeed will not—be an easy task but we must strive to effect it "in season and out of season" (*I Timothy* 4:2), standing open to the promptings of God's grace. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity should serve to strengthen our resolve in carrying on the quest for full unity while strengthening the bonds which already unite us.

John Cardinal Krol  
Archbishop of Philadelphia

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Order of Worship

January 30, 1977

10:30 a.m.

PRELUDE from Sonata in G Minor Vivaldi  
Preludio Giga  
John Taddiken, viola and Nancy Martin, piano  
\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 414  
"In Christ There Is No East or West"  
\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 75, page 520  
\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of justice and peace: in our world there is war and making ready for war, there is power and wealth in the hands of a few and weakness and want on the shoulders of the many, there is graft and corruption, there is crime and dishonesty, there is a shutting out of people because they are old or young or belong to despised races and nationalities, there is greed organized and oppression armed. How then can you shed light in our solemn assemblies? How can you accept our offerings or listen to the melody of our harps? Grant us forgiveness before we speak further to you and then equip us with the power of righteousness. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Father of Heaven, Whose Love Profound" Will  
FIRST READING Amos 5:21-23

Keith Brownell

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS  
THE LORD'S PRAYER

SILENT PRAYER

OFFERING CHORAL RESPONSE

Offertory

"O Lord, My Faith Is in Thee"  
\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

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OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

HYMN Genesis Songbook No. 18 "We Shall Overcome"

Amos 7:10-13

SECOND READING

SERMON "Worship and Justice" Dr. Shepard  
(4th in a series on "The Bible's Greatest Hits")  
Text: "But let justice roll down like waters,  
and righteousness like an everflowing  
stream." Amos 5:24

PRAYER

PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 366

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

POSTLUDE from Sonata in G Minor Vivaldi  
Sarabande Corrente

Please remain seated during the postlude.

Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service and to register in our guest book.

The flowers today are given by the G. H. Spencer family in memory of Fizz's mother, Mrs. R. M. Atcherson.

Our sympathy is extended to Ray Baker on the death of his mother this past week. Lois Wittich is at the organ today.

Copies of the Annual Reports and of Pilgrim Services for 1976 are on the small table in Salter Hall.

Tuesday: 6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group at Cloud 9.

7:30 p.m. Board of Christian Education.

Wednesday: 7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class.

Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Diaconate Communion Committee.

8:00 p.m. Diaconate Worship Committee.

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Lisie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



# FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 30, 1977

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Jeremiah was eighteen when the call came to proclaim God's judgment ("tear down") and hope ("to build"). Nations resent and resist criticism. They demand hope on their own terms. So they often come apart as did Judah under the hammer-blows of Babylonian armies. Today God still promises to build up nations that seek justice. God's judgment upon nations that pervert righteousness also stands. And, like young Jeremiah, we are called to act so that every agency of public life will manifest the divine purpose that runs through all human history.

## YOU AND YOUR VOCATION

You are a part of God's creation! As a part of his creation you have been given certain talents. These gifts are part of God's call to you.

The word "vocation," used in its Christian context, expresses the Biblical sense of "calling." As members of Christ's body, the church, we are called to a life of service in response to what God has done for us in Jesus Christ. Thus, being a Christian is a full-time vocation, including not only what we do occupationally, but also the commitments, values, and service which characterize the totality of our lives. If we take seriously our true vocation—to respond in faith to Jesus Christ—we will be concerned to make wise choices and decisions, for it is only as the Christian responds in that faith to Jesus Christ that he or she realizes those unique abilities that make choices and decisions possible.

Recognizing one's call, one finds many opportunities to fulfill one's vocation through meaningful occupations, within as well as outside the institutional church. What talents has God given you? How are you using them? Might your "calling" be particularly helpful to the work and mission of the church?

James L. Mecham  
Vocation Agency  
United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.

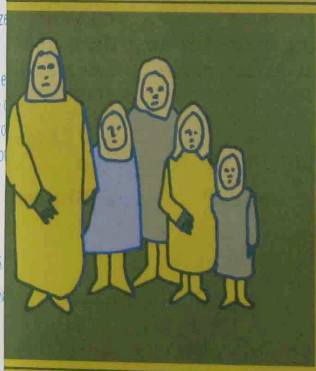
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they left everything and followed him





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
(A United Church of Christ)

WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION

February 6, 1977

10:30

Service of the Word

PRELUDE

From "The Liturgical Year"

"All Men Are Mortal"

"I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ"

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 290

"Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"

\*CALL TO PRAISE

Minister: The Lord is with us.

People: He is with us indeed.

Minister: Let us celebrate his coming.

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred  
and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We  
have followed too much the devices and desires  
of our own hearts. We have offended against your  
holy laws. We have left undone those things  
which we ought to have done, and we have done  
those things which we ought not to have done.  
But, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who  
God, who confess their faults. Restore those who  
are penitent, according to your promises declared  
unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant  
O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we  
may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober  
life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 2:1-4; 11:1-10  
Leonard E. Griffith, Board of Trustees

SERMON

"The Impossible Dream"

Dr. Shepaugh

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

CHORAL RESPONSE

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

CALENDAR

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.  
10:30 a.m. Communion Service and Church School.  
2:00 p.m. Pilgrim Fellowship will meet at the  
church to go on a tour of the UMD  
Medical School.

Monday

9:00 a.m. Rehab Recreation Program in Fellowship  
Hall.  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.  
7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday

6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group at Cloud 9.  
9:00 a.m. Medical Auxiliary meeting in Fellow-  
ship Hall.  
12:00 noon Meeting of the Board of Trustees at  
the Kitchi Gammi Club.

Wednesday

1:00 a.m. Meeting of Women's Fellowship Advisory  
Board.  
2:30 p.m. Sandwich luncheon, Women's Fellowship  
groups. Glenn Maxham will show nature  
slides of northern Minnesota  
1:15 p.m. Confirmation Class.

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We welcome visitors and invite you to join us for  
the coffee-koolaid fellowship following the service.  
Please register in the guestbook or fill out one of  
the cards in the pew rack and place it in the offer-



Service of the Upper Room

OFFERING

Offertory

"Father of Heaven, Whose Love Profound" Willan  
\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

THE PEACE (Shake hands with your neighbors and  
wish them "Shalom")

HYMN 450 "These Things Shall Be"  
(congregation seated)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Minister: Beloved, this is the joyful feast of  
the people of God.  
Come and gather about the table of the  
Lord.

People: Behold how pleasant and good it is when  
brothers and sisters dwell in unity.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is good that we do.

CHORAL SANCTUS

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION,

concluding with the Lord's Prayer in unison

THE COMMUNION

Worshippers will come forward in groups as guided  
by the Diaconate. Each group will be dismissed  
with the words, "Go in peace." The deacons will  
be glad to serve persons in the pews.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN Genesis Songbook No. 60

"Down by the Riverside", verses 1-4

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Choral Prelude on

"Our Father, Thou in Heaven Above" Schneider

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Miss Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



#### FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 6, 1977

Luke 5:1-11

"They left everything . . ." Think what that meant to commercial fishermen who abandoned boats, nets, and livelihood to become disciples. Think of young Francis Bernardone, leaving a luxurious Assisian home to serve the poor and manifest God's joy. Think of Teresa of Avila, leaving an old Spanish family to found a house of strict religious rule where, during privation, she fashioned a rich legacy in understanding prayer. Think of Martin Luther King, Jr. Despite defamation, harassment, and jail, he followed Jesus until a motel balcony became a new Golgotha.

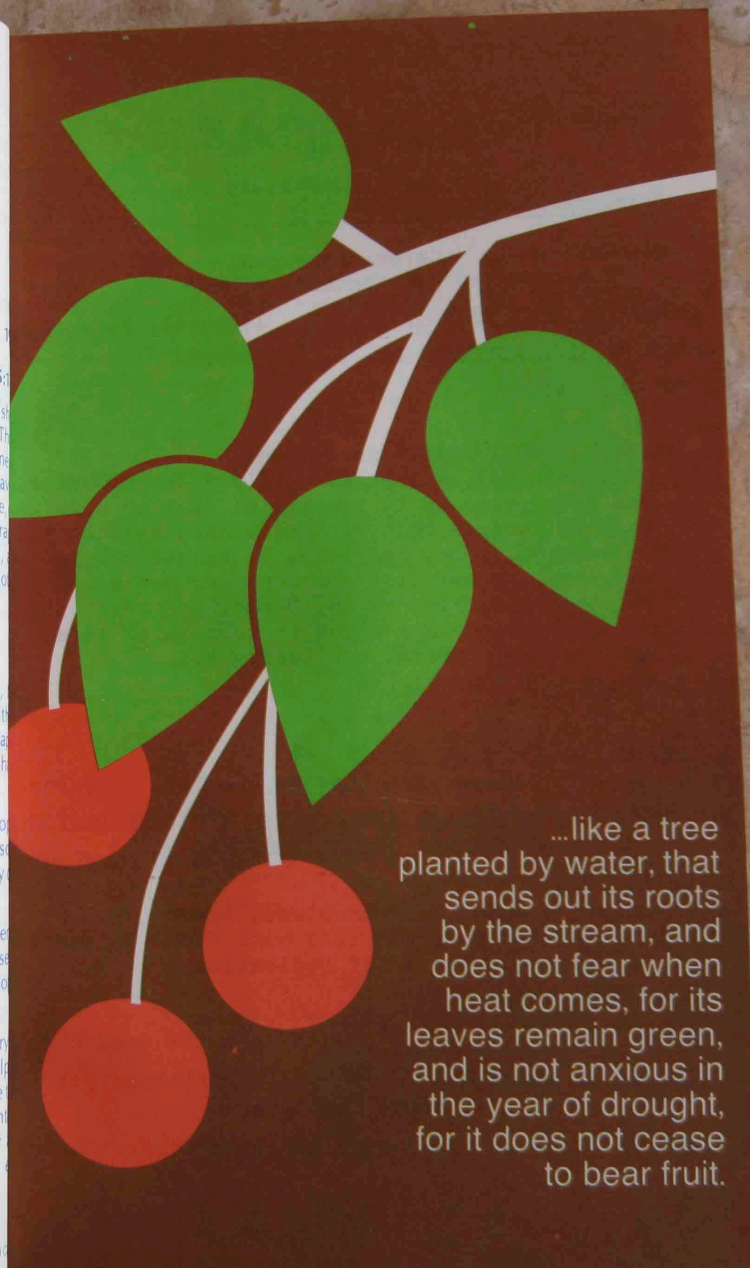
#### A CHRISTIAN ENCOUNTER

Over the past several years, many Christians from the Kyodan, the United Church of Christ of Japan, have had opportunities to share their faith with Christians of other lands. Visitation teams have gone to Japan from many places; groups of pastors and lay people from Japan have visited North America and Europe.

Now, during the past two years, groups of Japanese young people, some Christian, others non-Christian, recruited through schools associated with the Kyodan, have come to the United States for what they call an "Academic Home-Stay Christian Encounter Program."

These students have visited churches and communities in Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey. The results have enriched not only those whose homes the young people have stayed but also the young people themselves and the churches from which they have come.

Mary Tatem Williams, who with her husband Philip is a missionary with the United Church Board for World Ministries in Japan and who helps to plan and coordinate the project, says, "Many Japanese today are travelling abroad. When their visits include person-to-person contact with Christian people and with churches, the church suddenly acquires a new dimension for them. It's truly a significant Christian encounter!"



...like a tree  
planted by water, that  
sends out its roots  
by the stream, and  
does not fear when  
heat comes, for its  
leaves remain green,  
and is not anxious in  
the year of drought,  
for it does not cease  
to bear fruit.



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
(A United Church of Christ)

Order of Worship

February 13, 1977

PRELUDE

Chromatic Fugue  
Fantasia

10:30 a.m.

Pachelbel

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 7

"Immortal, Invisible"

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 71, page 518

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you have promised to receive us when we come to you. We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have disobeyed your law. We have not loved you or our neighbors as we should. Forgive us, O God, and grant that we may live and serve you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Lord, Sanctify Me Wholly"

Pasqua

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS SILENT PRAYER  
THE LORD'S PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory Solo - John Olund, tenor  
"Acquaint Thyself with God"  
\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

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OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

\*HYMN 367

SCRIPTURE READING

"Fight the Good Fight"  
I Corinthians 9:19-27

Bruce Buchanan

SERMON

"Christian Athletes" Fr. Russe

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

The first informal Thursday evening Lenten service will be held on February 24 in Salter Hall.

Desperately needed: A home in the Lakeside-ester Park area to host the first ecumenical Lenten neighborhood gathering in that part of town on Sunday, February 27. Please let Dorothy Lett know if you can offer your home for that date. If you would like to be part of one of the five neighborhood discussion groups that will be leading selections from well known spiritual classics, sign up on the bulletin outside the church office.

Needed for the Delmo, Missouri Thrift Shop: men's and women's clothing in large sizes and all sizes of children's clothing. Clothing may be left in the box in the small dining room.

CALENDAR

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.

10:30 a.m. Worship service and church school.

Monday

9:00 a.m. Rehab recreation program in Fellowship Hall.

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.

7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday

6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group at The Lemon Tree.

8:00 p.m. Matinee Musicale concert.

Thursday

9:00 a.m. Rehab recreation program.



PRAYER

CESSIONAL HYMN 263

"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

OSTLUDE Toccata and Fugue in D Minor Pachelbel

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We welcome visitors and invite you to join us for the coffee fellowship after the service. We hope you will register in the guest book in the main front vestibule.

The flowers today are given by Dr. and Mrs. E. Paul Sylvester in loving remembrance of their daughter, Patricia Sylvester Funk and their granddaughter, Carolyn Forrest Funk.

We welcome Fr. Cyril B. Russell to our pulpit again. A "retired" Episcopal minister, Fr. Russell recently came to the aid of St. Paul's Church as their interim minister. As many of you know, he is also the father of Dr. Kay Lundberg.

Fr. Shepard will return Friday evening.

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There will be a congregational meeting next Sunday, February 20, immediately following the morning service. The meeting is called by the Board of trustees for the purpose of considering whether the church should support a petition to rezone the area between 21st Avenue East and 23rd Avenue East and between the alley above Superior Street and the upper side of East Fifth Street (the area in which the parsonage is located) from "R-2" (two family residential) to "R-1-B" (single family residential).

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Miss Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 13, 1977

Jeremiah 17

Reflecting on "The misery of man without God," the philosopher Pascal writes that such persons suffer from restlessness, weariness, and a lack of love (although one notes that life without God may breed self-hatred while Christian faith creates healthy self-affirmation). In his well-known sketch of a tree set by a stream, roots reaching into water, leaves always green, branches everbearing, even in drought years, the prophet Jeremiah suggests that when we root our existence in God, the God manifests in us serenity, strength, and steady fruitfulness.

### THE LANGUAGE OF HUMAN RELATIONSHIPS

The language of human relationships:

- is verbal language—  
which is careful of the dignity of every person.
- is action language—  
which uses our talents and know-how to make life better for others.
- is money language—  
which can help open doors otherwise locked.

The parts of speech of the language of human relationships:

- As a NOUN—love is the fulfillment of the commandment given to us by our Lord.
- As a PRONOUN—persons standing in for God's wish that people live together in harmony.
- As a PREPOSITION—a bridge across the space which separates persons from persons.
- As a CONJUNCTION—joins together people who have a variety of backgrounds and experiences for their mutual understanding and enrichment.
- As a VERB—requires action. Passive acceptance of inequities and injustices is not the way of the Christian.
- As an EXCLAMATION—no stronger feeling of joy than that which comes from helping to lift another's burden.

The language of human relationships means that human relationships are ways of worshipping God. People who cannot love their sisters and brothers cannot love God. Whatever we bring to the altar of God is unacceptable while there is a sister or brother outside, waiting for our care.

Mrs. C. Frank Mann, Jr.  
Edenside Christian Church  
Louisville, Kentucky

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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINN.  
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Order of Worship

February 20, 1977

PRELUDE

"Berceuse"

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 363

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 79, page 523

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess to you, O God, and to one another  
that there are forces in us that turn us away  
from love, from truth, from faithfulness to  
and to one another. We seek the grace of your  
forgiveness and transforming power that we may  
worship sincerely and respond with understanding  
to the Word you speak in our midst. Through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee"

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Lois Heller, Diaconate

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Organ Offertory

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

\*HYMN 97

NEW TESTAMENT READING

SERMON

PRAYER

\*RECESSIONAL

402 "Jesus, Where'er Thy People Me

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

STLUDE

"Festivo"

Karg-Elert

10:30

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Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us  
for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service  
and to register in our guest book.

The flowers on the communion table today are  
given in memory of Mr. L.A. Weesner by his family.

The organist this morning is Mr. Lee Engstrom.

The first informal Lenten service will be held  
Thursday evening, 7:30 to 8:30 in Salter Hall.  
People of all ages are invited to come.

The ecumenical neighborhood group discussions  
will start on Sunday, March 6, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Next Sunday will be a Family Sunday and will in-  
clude recognition of church school children who  
have been participating regularly.

There will be a congregational meeting immediately  
following the service this morning. The meeting is  
called by the Board of Trustees for the purpose of  
considering whether the church should support a  
petition to rezone the area between 21st Avenue  
East and 23rd Avenue East and between the alley  
above Superior Street and the upper side of East  
5th Street from "R-2" (two family residential)  
"R-1-B" (single family residential).

Monday. 5:00 p.m. P.F. sleighride, Normanna Farms.

Tuesday. 7:30 p.m. Diaconate, small dining room.

Wednesday. 6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group at  
The Lemon Tree

7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class

Thursday. 7:30 p.m. Lenten service, Salter Hall.

7:30 p.m. Campus Ministry, The Loft.

Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Missie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Eaker, Organist and Choir Director



## SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

February 20, 1977

Luke 9:28-36

The dazzling light that whitened Jesus' clothes and transformed his face is not the major feature of the transfiguration. God's activity is manifest in many happenings surrounding that event: Peter's confession that Jesus is "the Christ of God," Jesus' readiness to go to Jerusalem where death waited for him, his example and teaching about the Father's intention for human life. Jesus' transfiguration confirmed these revelations and made authentic his proclamation that the way to a life made with wholeness and joy lies in giving life to others.


### A HUNDRED AND FIVE KIDS ON A BUS

Now in its fourth year, a unique preschool program in rural Maine called "Us in a Bus" is delivering educational opportunities to 105 Washington County youngsters. This is the only comprehensive preschool program offered by a public school system in the state, and it is showing how services can be delivered cheaply and efficiently to a rural population. Funded primarily through a Title III grant, "Us in a Bus" brings its gaily painted environment, complete with Dr. Seuss pictures and colorful nursery-school equipment, to five locations in an economically depressed area for a half-day at a time.

The program brings together not only preschool children but also their parents. The idea of using a bus was pioneered in rural Tennessee and adapted by Jane Weil, now Early Childhood Specialist at the Washington County Counseling Center. Parents have helped to make "Us in a Bus" a success. They have made toys and games and raised money through food sales and other activities to purchase what they could not make. A special tote-bag program enables children to borrow an educational toy and a book to use at home during the week.

What makes "Us in a Bus" important to us in the United Church of Christ is, first of all, the participation of John and Judy Mingus. John, a U.C.C. pastor, is co-ordinator of Down East Ministries of the Maine Seacoast Mission, which undertakes a wide variety of ministries to the people of the coastal area. "Us in a Bus" was one which John and Judy helped to initiate with the people of their community, Cherryfield, and it is in many other parts of the country. Preschool care is still a luxury in rural Maine, and the program the church is empowering its members to unique and creative ministries in their own communities.

# 40 days





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
A United Church of Christ

First Sunday in Lent  
February 27, 1977

10:30 A.M.

PRELUDE Adagio

CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT "Singen dem Herrn"  
University Singers

UNISON READING: Isaiah 53:1-6  
No. 119, p. 542 in back of hymnal

ANTHEM "Ovos Omnes" Vittorio

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(The University Singers will be leaving at this time.)

\*HYMN 161 "Before the Cross of Jesus"

PRAYER FOR LENT

OLD TESTAMENT READING Deuteronomy 26:5  
Dr. Robert L. Heller

OFFERING  
Offertory "O Dearest Lord, Thy Sacred Head" David Johnson  
\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY  
Recognition of Church School students  
with regular attendance

\*HYMN 391 "Be Thou My Vision" Luke 4:1-13  
Dr. Shepard

NEW TESTAMENT READING

SERMON "The Temptation"

PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN 202 "Jesus Shall Reign"

BENEDICTION RESPONSE  
Fantasia and Fugue

POSTLUDE

Ecumenical Neighborhood Groups

On Sunday evenings, 7:00-9:00, from March 6 through April 3, neighborhood groups sponsored by the East End Ecumenical Cluster will meet to read selections from some of the spiritual classics, old and new, and to discuss them with one of the ministers of the participating churches. The locations, topics and leaders for the first session are as follows. Specific addresses for the first session of each group will be in Pilgrim News and in next Sunday's bulletin.

Neighborhood	Author	Leader
Kenwood - Chester Park	John Wesley	Rev. Peter Law (University Methodist)
Lakeside	Thomas Kelly John Woolman	Dr. Royal Shepard (Pilgrim Church)
Hunters Park - UMD	Kierkegaard	Mrs. Eva Rogness (First Lutheran)
Near East Side	Dietrich Bonhoeffer	Rev. Robert Hardman (St. Paul's Episcopal)
Congdon Park - Valley Dr. - Hawthorne Road	St. Francis of Assisi	Mr. Dan Mundt, Jr. (Glen Avon Presbyterian)

The participating ministers and lay leaders will meet with a different group each week. Those taking part in the groups should pick up a copy of each of the pamphlets on the table under the bulletin in Salter Hall. If you plan to participate, and we hope you will, please fill out the blank below, tear it off and put it in the offering.

ECUMENICAL NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_



# CALENDAR

Sunday. 9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.  
10:30 a.m. Family Sunday Worship.  
11:45 a.m. Music Committee - parlor.  
Monday 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.  
7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.  
Tuesday. 7:30 p.m. Board of Christian Education.  
Wednesday 6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group at  
The Lemon Tree.  
7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class  
Thursday. 7:30 p.m. Lenten Service, Salter Hall.

## OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service and to register in our guestbook.

The flowers today are given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Spencer by the family.

The University Singers' Winter Tour concert will be held at the Marshall Performing Arts Center this evening at 8:15. Admission free. Dr. Vernon Opheim is director; Jerry Kaldor, manager.

Dr. Shepard's sermon, "The Burning Bush" has been mimeographed and is on the table in Salter Hall.

Summer Camp. You will notice a UCC summer camp brochure in your bulletin. Save this, so you will have the information handy for scheduling summer activities. Several Pilgrim Families are already planning to attend the Family Camp of July 31-August 6 directed by Conference Minister Frank Irazzini, with Roy Shepard as resource person.

Daily devotional booklets for March-April are now in the literature rack. These include "The Upper Room", "Family Devotions", and "These Days".

Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Lsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director

Pre-school and Kindergarten  
Elizabeth Cleveland  
Beth Morrison

Teachers: Elizabeth Peterson

Jamie Olson  
Marion Casserberg  
Heather Glendenning  
Christopher Harwood

First Grade

Teachers: Kathy Knabe

Sarah Harwood  
Amy Hedenberg  
Janeen Smith  
Jim Sellwood

Dorothy Gum  
Sharon van Druen (sub)  
Sandy Sellwood  
Jennifer Johnson  
Marge Anderson (sub)

Second Grade

Teachers: Kathy Knabe

Jennifer Cook  
Cindy Downs  
Scott Glendenning  
Susan Hedenberg  
Sharon Jaeger

Margo Hurrele  
Pamela VerWay  
Jeannette Knabe (sub)

Third and Fourth Grades

Teachers: Earl Austin

Nancy Anderson  
Elisabet Casserberg  
Bobby Lundberg

Julie Smith

Wendy Anderson  
Christopher Cook  
Bill Lundberg  
Caillin Matzke  
Lori Morrison  
Charlotte Smith

Fifth and Sixth Grades

Teachers: Barb Beck

Scott Glendenning  
Beth Lundberg  
Lisa Hedenberg  
Kathy Mitchell  
Nancy van Druen

Jonathan Stevens  
Assistants: Jean Walters  
and parents

Junior High (7th and 8th)  
Stephanie May  
Steven Morrison  
Melanie Anderson

Teachers: Pearl Fuller  
Dody Johnson (sub)



## FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 27, 1977

Luke 4:1-13

The angelsong of Bethlehem, training at Nazareth, and exaltation before the Jordan now behind him, Jesus entered the wilderness to be tested "forty days"—as throughout his life. He must win what he has inherited from God, face the evil he would subdue, test the virtue that God's grace, he was to loose into human life. Goethe urged, "What have inherited from the past, that earn in order to possess. He who deserves freedom, life as well, who daily conquers these anew." For forty days, forty years, and more, we must win anew the faith we inherit.

### KEEPING LENT TODAY

Each spring, during my childhood, we had to take a "course" of quinine, calomel, and castor oil to "tone up the system" and thin the blood for summer. It was a little like tuning the engine and flushing the radiator of your car. Happily, medicine has changed since then.

Lent has changed with the years, too. Beginning as a forty-hour fast to mark the Crucifixion and Resurrection, later, a time to train converts for baptism at Easter, Lent evolved, through a growing number of weeks of fasting and penitence, into our present season.

How shall we keep Lent today?

- We can eat less and less expensively, thus creating a sum of money to be given through Christian agencies for relief from famine and disaster and for work at their root causes.
- We can join a hunger task force in our own church, get facts on food production and distribution, and advocate our views to appropriate officials of our government and in the United Nations.
- Alone, or in a group, we can read a book of the Bible like *Psalms*, *Mark*, *Acts*, or *Ephesians*, using such guides as those by William Barclay or in the *Layman's Bible Commentary* series.
- To deepen and enrich our inward life, we can study a devotional classic like Simone Weil's *Waiting for God*, François Fenelon's *Christian Perfection*, or E. Stanley Jones' *How to Pray*.

It's work, but more pleasant than taking calomel and castor oil!

George S. Siudy, Jr.  
Secretary for Stewardship Education  
Stewardship Council  
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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
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Order of Worship

March 6, 1977

PRELUDE "See the Lord of Life and Light" 10:30 a.m.

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 199 "Crown Him With Many Crowns" 10:30 a.m.

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 67, page 517 10:30 p.m.

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most holy and merciful Father, we your wayward children make humble confession of our shortcomings and our sin. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way. We have loved our brethren as we ought, nor faithfully loved our Master in unselfish service. But pardon our offenses. Create within us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. May we on with gladness, assured of your compassion; forgetting the things which are behind, may we reach forth to those things which are before; pressing toward the mark of our high calling in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"If You Continue in My Word"

THE GOSPEL

John 11. Glendenning, Jr.

Matthew 9:14

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory "His Compassions Fail Not"  
\*Coxology and Prayer of Dedication

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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday

- 10:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.
- 10:30 a.m. Worship service and church school.
- 10:30 p.m. Pilgrim Fellowship will meet at the church to go to the UMD planetarium.
- 8:00 p.m. Ecumenical neighborhood group discussion meetings.

Monday

- 10:30 a.m. Rehab recreation program.
- 8:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.
- 10:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.
- 10:30 p.m. Committee on Stewardship and Mission - parlor.

Tuesday

- 12:00 noon Board of Trustees.
- 8:00 p.m. Matinee Musicale concert.

Wednesday

- 7:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group at The Lemon Tree.
- 10:00 a.m. Women's Fellowship Advisory Board meeting.
- 10:30 p.m. Women's Fellowship sandwich luncheon - parlor. Program and devotions, Elsie Jean Austin and Lynda Asplund: "A Good Age."
- 1:15 p.m. Confirmation Class.

Thursday

- 10:30 a.m. Rehab recreation program.
- 10:30 p.m. Lenten service in Salter Hall.

ANNOUNCING: State Youth Event - March 18-20 - Little Falls, Minn.



OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

HYMN 250

"Immortal Love, Forever Full"

THE EPISTLE

I Peter 2:1-5; 9-10

SERMON

"The Liberal Heritage"

PRAYER

RECESSIONAL HYMN 375

"Lead On, O King Eternal"

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

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OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to our visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service and to register in our guest book.

The flowers today are given by Mr. and Mrs. Keith Brownell in memory of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Myrd Brownell, and his brother, Dr. Wayne H. Brownell, and of her father, Mr. Robert A. Roessell.

Ecumenical Neighborhood Groups will start this evening, meeting from 7:00-9:00 at the following locations:

Linwood-Chester Park: Mrs. Donna Ford,  
1759 Stuart Court.  
Lakeside: Dr. Edward Stauffer, 5702 Avondale Street.  
Centers Park-UMD: Glen Avon Church parlor,  
2105 Woodland Avenue.  
Far East Side: N. Edward Johnson, 2110 E. Superior.  
Ingdon Park-Valley Drive-Hawthorne Road:  
Mrs. Gilbert Harries, 3035 E. 2nd St.

Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Lisie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

March 6

Philippians 3:1

There is a "not yet" quality in human life. People who lack a sense of purpose experience pain (hurts, borne and afflicted), frustration (hopes deferred, making the soul sick), and evil (corruption in houses of government, the marketplace, and human hearts) and say: "But that is life, and that is the way it will be that way." Christians experience the same ills. But they believe that life is not yet what God intends it to be. They work to reduce pain, despair, and sin, and patiently wait while working, awaiting God's sure salvation, and faithfully work while waiting.

## THE "FLAVOR OF PEPPERMINT"

"Peppermint" is a candy which becomes smaller and smaller as it dissolves in the mouth. But in Southern California, Peppermint Ridge is a health and welfare facility for the developmentally disabled which started small and each year has grown larger as the warmth of love which first encircled a single child expanded to touch now the lives of more than sixty residents—children, young people, and adults.

Peppermint Ridge, founded in 1959, is related to the United Church of Christ Council of Health and Welfare Agencies. Together with similar agencies, Peppermint Ridge, with the assistance of the Council and the United Church Board for Homeland Ministries, is currently examining the need for "normalizing" the care of its residents.

Normalization means paying greater attention to each individual's needs for self-awareness and self-worth as a living, loving human being. It means affirming each individual's right to an adequate, supportive lifestyle in which learning can take place to the extent of the individual's potential. It means making available every opportunity to live a normal life, to enjoy liberty, and to pursue happiness. Normalization means laying greater stress on the individual and less on the institution.

The "flavor" of Peppermint Ridge is surely pleasing—in California and elsewhere across the country where our church-related agencies seek the greater well-being of developmentally disabled persons.

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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota  
A United Church of Christ

Third Sunday in Lent

March 13, 1977

PRELUDE

Prelude

"O Sacred Head Once Wounded"

Henry Purcell

10:30

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 228

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER

No. 64, page 515

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, Creator and Father, we come before you a rebellious people. We have denied your intentions for us; we have preferred our way to Christ's way; we have disobeyed your commandments; and we have worshiped ourselves and the things we have made. Forgive us, restore in us the knowledge of who we are, and make us alive to serve you in faith, obedience, and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Sing Unto God"

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jesse D. Bradley

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

Offertory Anthem

"Beautiful Savior"

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Genesis 1:26-27

SILENT PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

F. Melius Christiansen

CALENDAR

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Teachers Meeting.  
9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service and Church School.  
1:35 a.m. Nominating Committee meeting.  
7:00 p.m. Ecumenical Neighborhood Discussion Groups (see below for locations)

Monday

9:30 a.m. Rehab recreation program.  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.  
7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday

6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group at the Lemon Tree.

Wednesday

7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class.

Thursday

9:30 a.m. Rehab recreation program.  
7:30 p.m. Lenten service in Salter Hall.

Saturday

9:30 a.m. Sanctuary Redecoration Committee.

Ecumenical Neighborhood Discussion Groups  
Sunday, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

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Near East: Mrs. Marcella von Goerz,  
2542 London Road - St. Francis

Lakeside: Mr. and Mrs. Blanchard Krogstad,  
5705 Juniata St. - Kierkegaard

Wentworth Park: Glen Avon Church parlor,  
2105 Woodland Ave. - Bonhoeffer

Congdon Park: Dr. and Mrs. Joel Bamford,  
2418 East 5th St. - Wesley

Woodland - cancelled (attend Near East or Congdon Park group)



MN 152

"We Would See Jesus" —

W TESTAMENT READING

Galatians 4:21-5:1

RMON

"Persons First"

AYER

CESSIONAL HYMN 414

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

NEDICATION

RESPONSE

STLUDE

Toccata

Georg Muffat

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Welcome to visitors. We invite you to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service, and we hope you will register in our guest book by the main front door.

The flowers this morning are in memory of Mrs. Lin A. Whitney from the Gwin R. Whitney family.

There will be child care in the Kindergarten room during the sermon discussion.

Congratulations and best wishes to Mark Steven Carlson and Peggy Jean Holgate who were married Saturday, March 5 in Pilgrim Church.

Mr. Irv Joyner of the Commission for Racial Justice will speak on the Wilmington Ten at the 10:30 service on March 27 and at 3:00 p.m. in fellowship all that afternoon.

The Nominating Committee will meet in the small dining room after the service today.

Next Saturday and Sunday a number of our Pilgrim Fellowship members will be attending the State UCC Faith Event at Little Falls with advisor Bob Miller.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Sue Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



### THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 13

Below Jerusalem's south wall sat the valley of Hinnom. There, at Gehenna, a garbage dump whose burning refuse raised a pall of smoke by day and cast a red glow into the sky at night. For Jesus, Gehenna was a metaphor for Hell, a place where barren souls may end in despair. "Don't let that happen to you," he pled. "Repent. Turn from a life that will not respond to God's love and others' need to one which bears the fruit: faith, compassion, and service. Bear these and eternal life!"

### AT A MOMENT'S NOTICE

An earthquake in South America, famine in Africa, a tidal wave in the Pacific, a flood in the United States. It matters not where the disaster strikes or when. Relief agencies—including those related to the church—are ready to respond where needed at a moment's notice.

Church World Service is the primary agency through which we channel our emergency relief efforts. The work of CWS field staff and missionaries of cooperating denominations are on the scene of any disaster, usually within hours, to assess damage and to work with local Christian leaders and with government officials in planning the church's part in a strategy of response.

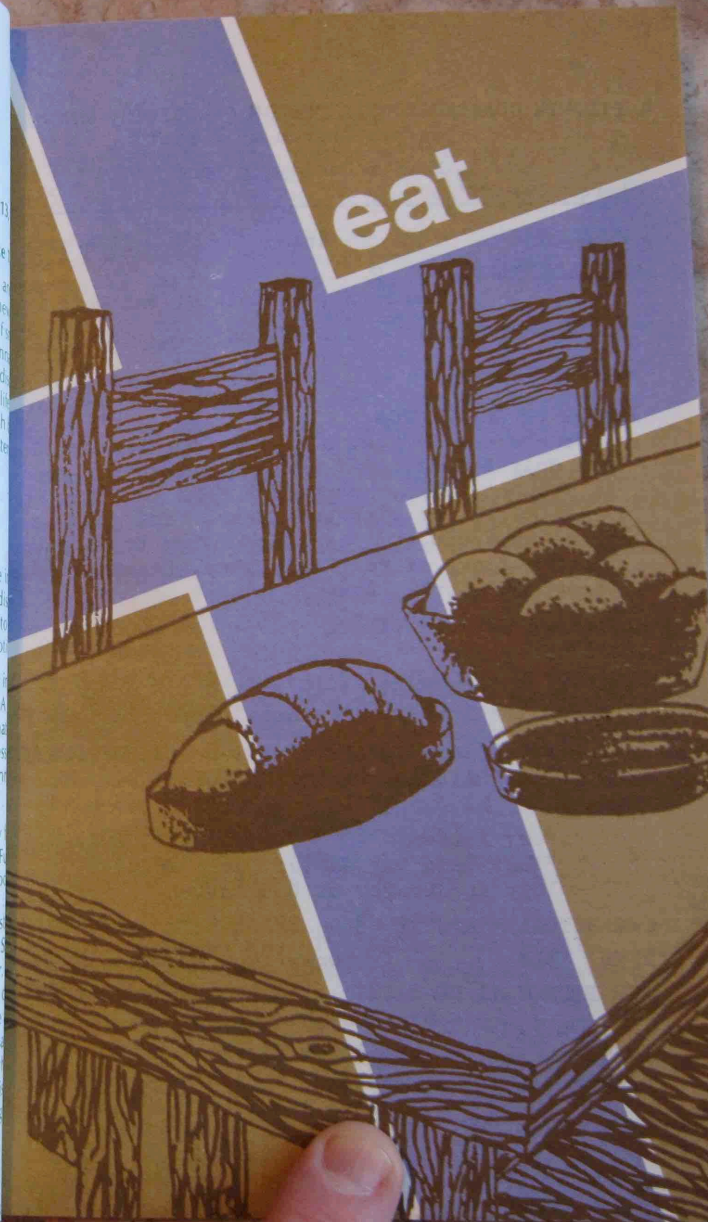
Tents, blankets, medical supplies, and tools can be on their way to CWS warehouses to the disaster scene often on a same-day basis. For purchase of food and other relief supplies are available even so.

The Service Division of the United Church Board for World Ministries, whose work is largely supported by the annual One Great Hour of Sharing, provides initial, immediate response to disasters as they occur. The Division depends upon the regular outpouring of concern and contributions of members of the United Church of Christ to replace and augment the funds which are thus expended. In addition to disaster relief, long-term development projects, many of them in areas where disasters had occurred earlier, are a primary function of this Division and are completely dependent upon the One Great Hour of Sharing church offering. Please give generously to OGHS!

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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINN.  
(A United Church of Christ)

Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 20, 1977

PRELUDE

Aria

10:30

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 7

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 77, page 522

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess to you, almighty God, Father,  
and Holy Spirit, that we have grievously sinned  
in thought, word, and deed. Make us truly  
trite. Fill us with holy fear, and give us  
grace to amend our lives according to your  
for the glory of your holy name, through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Bless the Lord"

Michail Ippolitoff-Ivanov

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory Anthem

"What Pain Our Master Didst Endure"

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

\*HYMN 318

NEW TESTAMENT READING

"Draw Thou My Soul, O Christ"

SERMON

Dr. Joseph H. Leek

PRAYER

"Claimed for Freedom"

\*PROCESSIONAL 381 "My Faith, It Is an Oaken Staff"

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us  
for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service  
and to register in the guest book by the front door.

The flowers on the communion table today are  
given by Mr. W. D. Wyard and family in memory of  
his wife and mother, Lucile Lahr Wyard.

Dr. Leek will be discussion leader at the Lenten  
service Thursday evening at 7:30.

Next Sunday Irv Joyner of the Commission for  
Social Justice will speak about the Wilmington Ten  
at the Sunday morning service and at a meet-  
ing in Fellowship Hall at 3:00 p.m. Mr. Joyner  
comes at the invitation of the Board of Christian  
Education, who will have dinner with him on Sat-  
urday evening. The enclosed article by Everett  
Walker, Director of Communications for the United  
Church of Christ, appeared in the January issue of  
THE CRISIS (the NAACP publication) and was sup-  
plied to us by Dr. Ellis Livingston, chairman of  
the Diaconate.

A Workshop on Leadership Development will be  
held at Camp Kingswood in Mound, Minnesota this  
Friday and Saturday, March 25-26. Holly Henderson  
of the national office of Church Life and Leader-  
ship of the UCC, will be the leader. For more in-  
formation or to register see Elsie Jean Austin or  
Brothy Gemeinhardt. The Women's Fellowship will  
take care of the registration fee (\$15, including  
our meals and overnight).

Delegates to the State Youth Event at Little  
Ellis this weekend are: Bob Heller (advisor),  
Bertha Livingston, Beth Shepard, Jonathan Stevens,  
Evelyn Gemeinhardt, Tom Hertzel, Ann Knabe, Cathy  
Black, Kim Swain. Larry Stevens provided trans-  
portation as did Bob Heller.

Recent sermons have been mimeographed and are  
on the small table in Salter Hall.



# CALENDAR

## Sunday

- 9:15 a.m. Church School Committee meeting.
- 9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.
- 10:30 a.m. Worship service and church school.
- 7:00 p.m. Ecumenical neighborhood groups. location and topic see below)

## Monday

- 9:30 a.m. Rehab recreation program.
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.
- 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

## Tuesday

- 7:30 p.m. Diaconate meeting.

## Wednesday

- 6:45 a.m. Bible Study Group - Lemon Tree.
- 7:15 p.m. Confirmation class.

## Thursday

- 9:30 a.m. Rehab recreation program.
- 7:30 p.m. Lenten service in Salter Hall.

## Ecumenical Neighborhood Discussion Groups

Sunday, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

- Lakeside: Dr. Kenneth Storsteen, 7919 Congdon Blvd. - Bonhoeffer
- Near East: Elsie Jean Austin, 3800 London Rd. - Wesley
- Hunters Park: Glen Avon Church Parlor, 2105 Woodland Ave. - St. Francis
- Congdon Park: Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Spencer, 241 Garden St. - Kelly and Woolm
- Kenwood: Attend Near East or Congdon Park groups

## BENEDICTION

## RESPONSE

### STLUDE

Toccata in D Minor

Froberger

The new liberal church affirms a faith in the God revealed in Jesus Christ that is secure enough to live with changing images of God.

Not only outside the churches, but inside the churches there are many people for whom old ways of thinking and talking about God no longer seem very persuasive or very helpful. I am such a person myself, and perhaps in a couple of weeks I will preach to you a little sermon called "Conversion of a Fallen Away Atheist." In any case, we are forced to live without the security of old certainties. In this situation some of us lose faith entirely. Others panic into some form of fundamentalism.

I think that the new liberal church should be a place where people can struggle to steer clear of these alternatives. It will be a place where we can dialog freely with all the forms of faith and faith of our day. We shall find the strength in this freedom in the belief that it is not our aim to the truth that matters, but rather the aim which the truth makes upon us. What matters are not the concepts of God that we claim as our own. What matters is our inescapable awareness that God makes us his own. This is a very biblical, very evangelical, very Protestant way of looking at things. We find no ultimate security in our own ideas. We do not claim to be able to cope with any finality what we mean by the word, "God." But we find security in the faith that we have claimed for allegiance to a power that reaches beyond our own thoughts.

Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



#### FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 20, 1977

Luke 15:11-32

Roast veal. For the homing prodigal, it was a welcome feast and a sign of welcome. The home-tending brother read it as a threat to his status ("mine were never the journey abroad, the wild parties, the loose living, the wasted wealth"). The exultant father offered it as a sacrament of restored love. "Enough!" he cried. "For us all we have enough—and spare. Relieve the body's hunger. Nourish the soul in its longing for love harlots do not offer, joy not sold or bought, delight best found afar, but nearer the heart's home. Eat!"

#### "HE WALKED WITH US"

Dr. Paul McCleary, Executive Director of Church World Service, receives many reports during the year, often long and complex evaluations of CWS projects in Asia, Latin America, Africa, the Middle East, Europe, Central and South America, and the Caribbean. One of the most significant recent reports, however, was the simple but profound comment made to him by an African villager. The man spoke of the contribution made to his community by a CWS field worker. "He walked with us," the man said.

To "walk with"—to identify oneself with—people beyond one's own culture, to engage with them in their struggle to improve the quality of their life, to do this in Christ's name and from a Christian motivation, that is what the One Great Hour of Sharing is all about.

Who are these people with whom you walked this past year, the people helped by your One Great Hour of Sharing gifts channeled through Church World Service? Returnees to Portugal from some of Africa's newest nations who were provided with blankets, Christian leaders in Ghana who were sent medical supplies, YMCA and YWCA personnel in the Middle East who were sent recreational equipment to use with young people in refugee settlements, people in India who were given assistance in family-planning, people in Honduras and Nicaragua who were sent seeds and tools, women in Brazil who were given sewing machines, war widows in Bangladesh who were sent cloth for sewing class. These were some of the people with whom you walked this past year.

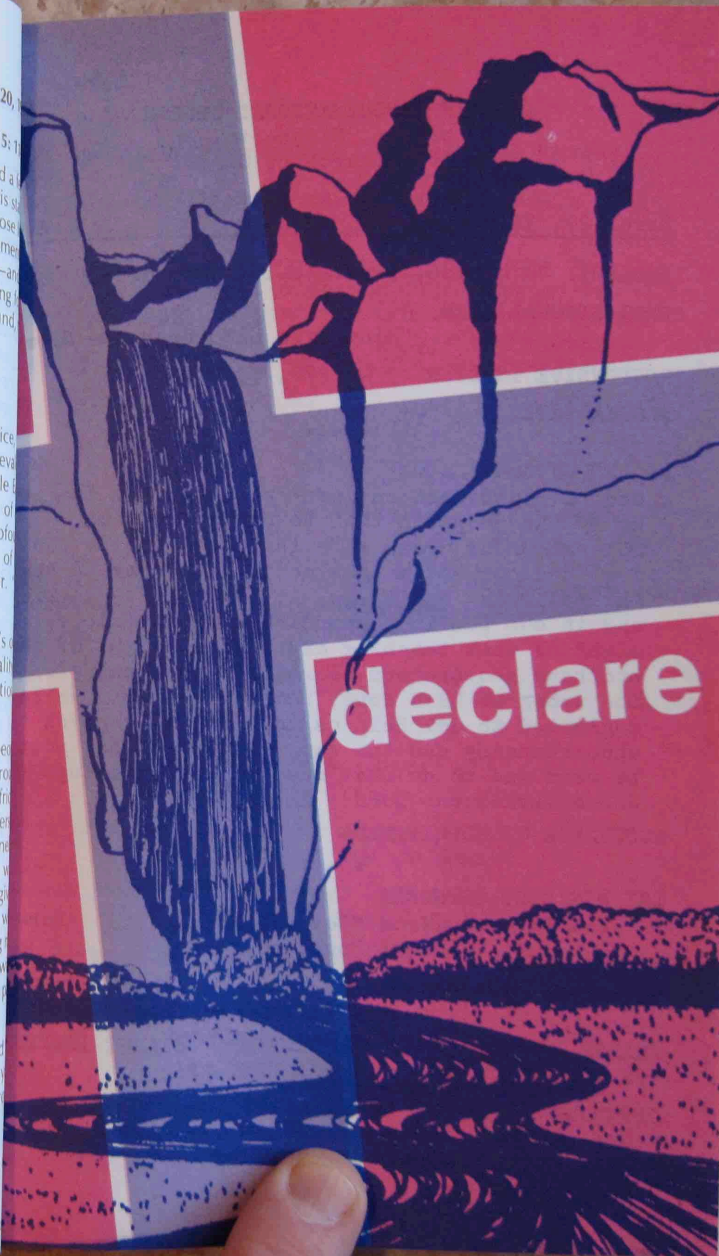
People in more than 50 countries around the world will be helped by your gifts to the One Great Hour of Sharing this year. Truly, when you give to OGHS you "walk with them" in their need. Please be generous with your concern, your heart, and your gift to OGHS.

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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota  
A United Church of Christ  
Fifth Sunday in Lent  
March 27, 1977

PRELUDE "O Mensch, bewein'dein' Sünde gross" 10:30  
\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 443

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER "Mine Eyes Have Seen the  
No. 70, page 518

\*GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of righteousness and truth, who has taught  
us by the prophets that to do justice and  
love kindness means more than our burnt offerings  
and our solemn assemblies, we confess  
in small ways and large, in our private dealings  
and in our public responsibilities, we lose sight  
of that teaching and so lose sight of  
brothers and sisters. Forgive us not only for  
the wrong we have done, but for the good we  
neglected to do. Help us to receive from you  
understanding and the courage to see what must  
be seen and to do what must be done, through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Fourth Word

SCRIPTURE READING

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS  
THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Offertory

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication  
"Behold the Lamb of God"

CHORAL RESPONSE

Isaiah 43:16  
Luke 22:24

SILENT PRAYER

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Next Sunday Dr. Shepard will resume his sermon  
series interpreting his manifesto on the new lib-  
eral church. The last sermon in the series will  
be given on the Sunday following Easter.

The roses on the flower table today are in  
honor of Paula Kristie Marquardt, daughter of  
Egg and Wanda Marquardt, born December 30, and  
Brothy Jennifer Reichert, daughter of Robert J.  
and Katharine Van Evera Reichert, born March 15.

Flowers to be used in the Easter service, April 10,  
may be ordered through the church office through  
Wednesday, April 5.

There is a "showing" of SERRV articles in Salter  
Hall this morning and in Fellowship Hall this  
afternoon.

Next Sunday's sermon, "Claimed for Freedom", has  
been mimeographed and is available on the small  
table in Salter Hall.

Ecumenical Neighborhood Discussion Groups

Sunday, 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Westside: Dr. Kenneth Storsteen,  
7919 Congdon Blvd. - St. Francis

Center's Park: Glen Avon Church parlor,  
2105 Woodland Ave. - Wesley

Congdon Park: Mr. and Mrs. John Adams,  
620 Ridgewood Road - Kierkegaard

East: canceled this week only - feel free  
to attend another group.



## CALENDAR

### Sunday

- 9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.
- 10:30 a.m. Worship service and Church School.
- 2:00 p.m. Meeting in Fellowship Hall with Irv Joyner on The Wilmington Ten.
- 7:00 p.m. Ecumenical neighborhood discussion groups (see note on other side for locations and topics).

### Monday

- 9:30 a.m. Rehab recreation program.
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.
- 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

### Tuesday

- 9:00 a.m. University extension class: "An Introduction to Shakespeare".

### Wednesday

- 6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group at the Large Tree.
- 7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class.

### Thursday

- 9:30 a.m. Rehab recreation program.

## OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

WMN 441

"Once to Every Man and Nation"

### INTRODUCTION OF OUR SPEAKER

HERMON Irv Joyner, Director of Criminal Justice and Penal Reform, United Church of Christ Commission for Racial Justice

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN 366

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

### BENEDICTION RESPONSE

STLUDE

Toccata

Boelmann

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elcome to visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service and to register in the guestbook by the front door. The flowers on the communion table today are given by Mr. Ray G. Palmer in memory of Mrs. Palmer.

Our guest speaker, Irv Joyner, of the Commission for Racial Justice, has come to tell us about the use of the Wilmington Ten in North Carolina and the involvement of the United Church of Christ in their defense. Mr. Joyner will speak again at a meeting scheduled for 2:00 this afternoon in Fellowship Hall at which refreshments will be served by the Pilgrim Fellowship, Cathy Beck, chairperson. Literature about the Wilmington Ten may be found in Salter Hall.

Next Sunday is Palm Sunday and also the date of our bimonthly communion. The church school students are asked to arrive in their classrooms no later than 10:20. They will receive palm branches and participate in a processional into the sanctuary before returning to their classes.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
 Marie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
 Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

March 27, 1977

Isaiah 43:16-21

A wide and desolate desert stood between Jews, exiled in Babylon, and their native land. To God's prophet came a vision of hope. In the wilderness he saw flowing streams. Its wild animals had become tame. A Peaceable Kingdom. Across the rocky hills ran a smooth road, beckoning home. Exile was over. A new Exodus lay at hand. God was rescuing Israel "that they might declare my praise." We have inherited this joyous task. For people to whom the world feels like a wasteland, Christians are charged to declare and act out God's rescuing love.

### THE SOUTHWEST GEORGIA PROJECT

On Route 19, in the southwest corner of Georgia, a simple roadside sign reads, "Welcome to New Communities, The Land of Pick-Your-Own." Unless you had some clue about New Communities, you'd probably drive right by. But if you did drive by, you'd be missing a unique and important landmark. New Communities, an enterprise of the Southwest Georgia Project, is a dream become tangible, a very special kind of place.

Southwest Georgia Project, a nonprofit organization, has been serving black people of a thirteen-county area since 1961. It has established day-care centers and a print shop now offering apprenticeship training. Through New Communities, the Project has enabled the people of the area to purchase and use almost 6,000 acres of timberland, swamps, rivers, and farmland good for raising crops, hogs, and cattle. Soybeans, peanuts, corn, grapes, watermelon, and vegetables not only provide food for hungry people, they also provide an economic base for other activities. The land—largest contiguous acreage owned by black people in the United States—and the crops and the herds represent a dream that one day may be a symbol for all poor Americans.

The Southwest Georgia Project still has problems: How to free people from mortgage obligations on the land? How to build 150 badly needed homes? How to secure more adequate medical care? But friends, including the Commission for Racial Justice of the United Church of Christ, are helping. When you support the United Church of Christ, you are helping, too. And the Southwest Georgia Project can be a symbol of hope for all of us—that the poor can be helped to become self-sustaining and need not always remain poor if people will care!

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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINN.  
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PALM SUNDAY

Worship with Communion

April 3, 1977

Service of the Word

PRELUDE

Trio

Sonata IV

G. Ph. Tele

G. F. H.

performed by I Musici della Sonata da Chiesa

Tanja Hergert

Donald Hergert

Marilyn Hergert

William van Druten

INTROIT

"Hosanna"

Randall Thom

\*PALM PROCESSIONAL #155 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

\*CALL TO PRAISE

Minister: The Lord is with us.

People: He is with us indeed.

Minister: Let us celebrate his coming.

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In unison)

O merciful God, the Fountain of all goodness,  
who knows the thoughts of our hearts; we confess  
to you that we have sinned against you, and  
evil in your sight. Wash us, we beseech you,  
give us grace and power to put away all hurtful  
things; that being delivered from the bondage  
evil, we may walk in the path of your command-  
ments; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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SCRIPTURE READING:

SERMON "Christian Comprehensiveness"  
Mark 11:1-10 Jonathan Stev

"The new liberal church rejects efforts to narrow  
down the Christian message to something less  
than a comprehensive strategy for human exis-

tence."  
"The new liberal church will dedicate itself  
forthrightly to the social implications of the  
Christian ethic."

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Maundy Thursday. 7:30 p.m.

Five Days Before the Last Day", service in com-  
memoration of The Last Supper. The full choir will  
participate.

Good Friday. 12 noon to 3 p.m. at St. Paul's Church

Ecumenical service on the Passion of our Lord.

Easter

Sunrise service, 7:00 a.m., at first turnoff on  
Scenic Drive.

Sanctuary service, 10:30 a.m.

CALENDAR

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.

10:30 a.m. Communion Service and Church School.

5:30 p.m. Pilgrim Fellowship at Martha Living-  
ston's, 2431 E. 6th St.

Monday

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.

7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday

6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group, Lemon Tree.

7:30 p.m. Board of Christian Education.

Wednesday

1:00 a.m. Women's Fellowship board meeting.

2:30 p.m. Luncheon meeting, speaker: Pam Griffin.

7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class.

Thursday

10:30 p.m. Service in commemoration of The Last  
Supper.

Friday

2:00-3:00. Service at St. Paul's Church.



The palm branches carried by the children are given by Dr. and Mrs. Josiah Fuller in memory of their son Josiah Fuller II.

The large Palm Sunday banner was made by 3rd and 4th graders in the Wednesday class some years ago. Orders for plants for the Easter service should be in the church office by Tuesday.

Church Softball. Once daylight saving begins plan to resume our Wednesday night softball game open to all ages and both sexes. In addition, people may wish to form an organized team. If interested sign up on bulletin outside office. Sunday evening Neighborhood Discussion Groups:

Lakeside: The Krogstads', 5705 Juniata (Wesley)  
Hunter's Park: Glen Avon Church (Kelly & Woolman)  
Near East: M. Von Goerz, 2542 London Rd.  
(Kierkegaard)

Congdon Park: The Foxes, 3722 Greysolon (Bonhoeffer)  
Easter Sunrise Service 7 a.m.  
Where? North Shore, 1.2 miles from middle of Lester River bridge.  
Who? The entire church family.  
Leaders: Pilgrim Fellowship, Martha Livingston,

Please wear boots and warm clothing. In case of inclement weather (hard rain, snow, sleet, ice or a hurricane!) we will meet in Fellowship Hall at the church. If in doubt, call Elsie Jean Austin before 6:15 a.m. (525-1813).

Immediately after the service everyone is invited to the church for a "continental" breakfast. Please make reservations (leave on coffee table in Salt Hall today). A free will offering will be taken to offset food costs.

Easter Breakfast Reservations  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
How many? \_\_\_\_\_  
Milk \_\_\_\_\_  
Coffee \_\_\_\_\_  
Tea \_\_\_\_\_

## PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE MUTUAL MINISTRY

### Service of the Upper Room

#### OFFERTORY

"Hosanna to the Son of David" D. Moe  
Offertory and Prayer of Dedication

Doxology (Shake hands with your neighbors and wish them "Shalom")

PEACE (congregation seated)  
"Ride On, Ride On in Majesty"

#### INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Minister: Beloved, this is the joyful feast of the people of God.  
Come and gather about the table of the Lord.

People: Behold how pleasant and good it is when brothers and sisters dwell in unity.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is good that we do.

#### CHORAL SANCTUS

#### PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

concluding with the Lord's Prayer in unison

#### THE COMMUNION

Worshipers will come forward in groups as guided by the Diaconate. Each group will be dismissed with the words, "Go in peace." The deacons will be glad to serve persons in the pews.

#### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

MIN 170

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

#### RESPONSE

Prelude in D Major

C.P.E. Bach

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## PALM SUNDAY

April 3

Luke 19:28-44

To "praise" is to "prize," to set a price, assign value, esteem worth. We esteem as worthiest inspires worship. "Worship" is "worthship" in shortened form. Praise and worship are twin actions with similar meaning. What inspires our heartiest worship, elicits our loudest praise? Praise like that shouted by the crowd the day Jesus rode into Jerusalem? The question underlies our identity. Our praise and worship point to the values that govern the thought, feeling, and action that comprise our whole life. Our highest praise—what merits that praise—who?

## ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR

According to medieval legend, the well-known Palm Sunday hymn "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" was written while its author, Theodulph, a ninth-century bishop of Orleans, was imprisoned by King Louis I. His faith undaunted by confinement, Theodulph spent his time praising God. One version of the story says that the bishop sang his song one day as the king was passing the jail and won a royal pardon for his glorious hymn.

Whether Theodulph swayed the heart of the earthly king or not, the tradition that the hymn was composed in jail reminds us that Christians must be prepared to demonstrate their faith when trouble comes. Jesus set the example. Our Lord received a hero's welcome to Jerusalem that first Palm Sunday, only to be rejected by the crowd, and imprisoned, and crucified.

Christian faith today can itself be the cause for imprisonment in some countries, and we who enjoy religious liberty too often are unwilling to suffer for the sake of God's undying love. In times of trial as well as times of joy, we can sing with Theodulph:

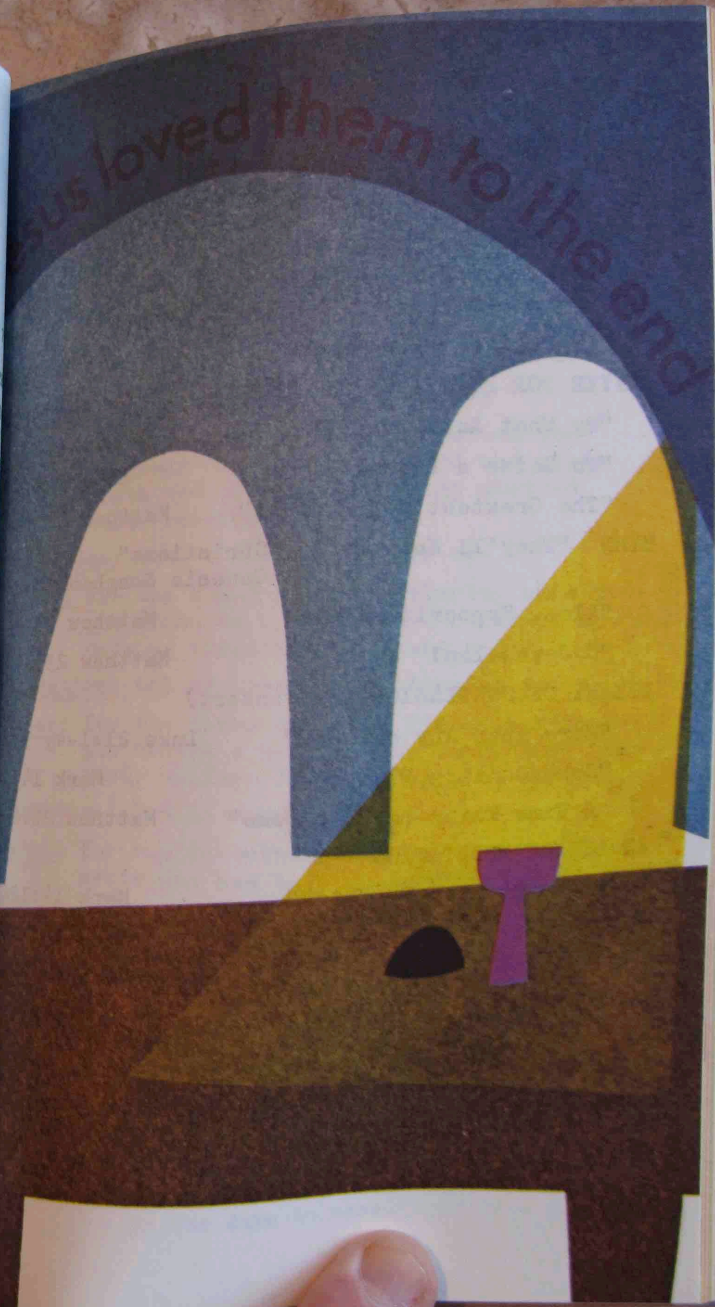
All glory, laud, and honor  
To thee, Redeemer, King!

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Reverend Elliott Wright  
New York City, New York  
United Presbyterian Church of Christ

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FIVE DAYS BEFORE THE LAST DAY  
A Service in Commemoration of the Last Supper  
April 7, 1977 - 7:30 P.M.

PRELUDE "Christ Lag in Todesbanden"

\*HYMN "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

"If Only You Had Known!"

PRAYER FOR ENTERING THE TEMPLE

"By What Authority?"

"To Seize a Pretext"

"The Greatest Commandment"

HYMN "They'll Know We Are Christians"

"Alas, Hypocrites!"

"O Jerusalem!"

LITANY OF CONFESSION (see insert)

"More Than Any of Them"

"Some Cunning Plan"

"A Fine Thing She Has Done"

AN ACT OF MEDITATION

"A Large Room Upstairs"

"One of You Will Betray"

"He Took Bread"

ANTHEM

Crucifixus  
The Communion Service

(Worshippers will come to the table in groups  
of 15. The Deacons will serve any who wish to  
remain in the pews.)

INVITATION

A LITANY OF CONFESSION

Minister: O God, our Peace, who from everlasting to  
everlasting holds each of us within your  
care, on this day of sacred remembrance we  
seek your forgiveness for our forgetting.

For the times when we have forgotten the  
things that make for peace and have al-  
lowed the quick rush of anger to obscure  
our judgment and to put down our love,

Congregation: God of peace, forgive us.

Minister: For the times we have forgotten the  
prophets who speak the hard and plain  
truth and in our forgetting abetted  
their persecution,

Congregation: God of truth, forgive us.

Minister: For the times when familiarity with peo-  
ple close to us bred that contempt which  
made us forgetful of their needs,

Congregation: God of compassion, forgive us.

Minister: For the times when our distance from peo-  
ple became a pretext for forgetting that  
their welfare is bound up with our own,

Congregation: God of compassion, forgive us.

Minister: For our forgetting the two great command-  
ments and how they go together,

Congregation: God of love, forgive us.

Minister: For our forgetting Jesus and our neglect  
of his story and his teaching,

Congregation: Forgive us and help us to remember  
him now.

Minister: For our forgetting you; for all the times  
when prayer was pushed aside by other con-  
cerns,

Congregation: Forgive us, have mercy upon us and  
help us to keep you in mind now and  
in the days to come.



SUM CORDA

Minister: Lift up your hearts.  
People: We lift them up to God.  
Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.  
People: It is right to do so.  
Minister: With all God's creatures everywhere  
we offer our adoration, saying:

RAL SANCTUS

YER OF CONSECRATION

COMMUNION

SING PRAYER

N "Were You There?"

No. 179

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ders: Pearl Fuller, Ruth Ann Eaton.

Selections are from the New English Bible.

shippers are asked to sit in the center section.

Remember to attend the East End Ecumenical Good  
Day Service at St. Paul's Episcopal Church,  
10 East Superior Street, tomorrow. The service,  
which is divided into seven parts, begins at noon  
and concludes at 3:00 p.m. Worshipers may come  
and go at the end of each section.

On Sunday a sunrise service will be conducted by  
the Pilgrim Fellowship at the first turnoff on the  
Scenic Drive. The time is 7:00. In case of very  
bad weather, the service will be held in Fellowship  
Hall.

The service in the sanctuary on Easter day begins  
at 10:30 a.m. A nursery will be provided. Older  
children are invited to worship with their parents.

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UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST SPECIAL OCCASION



# Pilgrim Congregational Church

DULUTH, MINNESOTA

## Easter Worship

April 10, 1977

PRELUDE

"Christ ist Erstanden"

INTROIT

"An Easter Alleluia"

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 182

"Christ the Lord is Risen"

\*GREETING

Minister: The Lord is risen!

People: He is risen, indeed!

Minister: Grace to you and peace from our Lord Jesus Christ.

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In unison)

Gracious God, we admit that we are not ready for the goodness of this day. There are forces in us that close the door to life: selfishness, anxiety, self-pity, prejudice, jealousy, smugness. But we have confidence that you can roll away the stones. So, forgive us, we pray, and help us know for ourselves the power of the new creation.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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ANTHEM

"Christ is Risen"

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 28:1-10

John M. Dickerson, Minister

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

SILENT PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

\*THE STATEMENT OF FAITH

\*HYMN 181

THE EPISTLE

SERMON

(as revised by Robert V. M. Moss, late President of the United Church of Christ)

"Alleluia! The Strife Is Over"

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

"The Hardest Thing in the World"

1 Corinthians 13:5b

## STATEMENT OF FAITH\*

10:30  
We believe in God, the eternal spirit, who is made known to us in Jesus our brother, and to whose deeds we testify:

God calls the worlds into being, creates humankind in the divine image, and sets before us the ways of life and death.

God seeks in holy love to save all people from sin, death, and emptiness and sin.

God judges all nations and all humanity by that standard of righteousness declared through prophets and apostles.

Jesus Christ, the Man of Nazareth, our crucified and risen Lord, God has come to us and shared our common lot, conquering sin and death and reconciling the whole creation to its Creator.

God bestows upon us the Holy Spirit, creating and renewing the church of Jesus Christ, binding in covenant faithful people of all ages, tongues and peoples.

God calls us into the church to accept the cost and discipline of discipleship, to be servants in the service of the whole human family, to proclaim the Gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table, to abide in him in his passion and victory.

God promises to all who trust in the Gospel forgiveness of sins and fulness of grace, courage in the struggle for justice and peace, the presence of the Holy Spirit in trial and rejoicing, and eternal life in that kingdom which has no end. Blessing and honor, glory and power be unto God.

Shortly before his death, Oct. 25, 1976, Robert V. Moss worked on the UCC Statement of Faith to make it sexually inclusive. This is the resultant text.



## COMING EVENTS

Saturday, April 16. Annual Meeting of the East Association, Minnesota Conference, United Church of Christ in St. Paul. Speaker: Oliver Peterson. Dr. Shepard will leave at 6:30 A.M. and return no later than 7 P.M. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome to ride with him.

Sunday, April 17. Reception of new members. sermon in the "Manifesto" series. Confirmation class party at the parsonage, 3:00 P.M.

Thursday, April 21. The Moorhead College Choir led by David Ferreira, will sing here at 8:30 P.M.

Sunday, April 24. Confirmation service followed by reception for class and parents in Fellowship Hall.

Thursday, April 28. Northland College night.

Saturday, April 30. Eastern Duluth Town Meeting at East High.

### Calendar for This Week

Monday.  
9:00 a.m. Board of Trustees.  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.  
7:30 p.m. Committee on Stewardship Mission.  
7:30 p.m. Steering Committee on Worship shop on Growing Older.

Tuesday.  
6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group  
12:00 noon Board of Trustees.  
7:30 p.m. Church Council.

Wednesday.  
12:30 p.m. Group 1 at Helen Seymour's  
7:15 p.m. Group 2 at Gerry Heller's  
7:30 p.m. Confirmation Class.  
7:30 p.m. Group 3 at Mary Austin's.

## OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to newcomers, visiting relatives, and other guests at our Easter celebration. We invite you, together with all others present, to let us know you are here by filling in the registration card and placing it in the offering. Visitors are also invited to sign our guest book by the main front doors.

A coffee and koolaid fellowship time in Salter Hall will follow the service. Everyone is invited.

Our Easter offering for One Great Hour of Sharing will help not only with distribution of food where it is needed in the world but also with development programs enabling people to utilize more effectively their own resources. Special offering envelopes are in the pews. The offering from the church school will be brought forward by Peter Fifield and Beth Lundberg.

Congratulations to Henry (Gumper) Lewis, right wing of the Duluth Heights State Champion Bantam hockey team.

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There will be a special business meeting of Pilgrim Congregational Church following the service next Sunday to act on the following recommendations from the Nominating Committee to fill vacancies and provide alternate delegates:

David S. Bouschor as Clerk, term expiring in January, 1978.

Lucy Brenning to the Board of Christian Education to fill a term expiring in January, 1979.

Edith Potter and Mabel Weesner as alternate delegates to the meeting of the Minnesota Conference of the United Church of Christ.



ASTER OFFERING (includes One Great Hour of Sharing)  
Offertory Anthem "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" *Hovhaness*  
\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

RECESSIONAL HYMN 185 "Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain"  
BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE  
OSTLUDE "In Dir ist Freude" *Bach*

### Easter Memorials

Charles E. Adams  
1867-1936  
Grace T. Adams  
1874-1940  
Dorothy W. Avery  
1893-1975  
Cassius H. Bagley  
1869-1947  
Minnie Church Bagley  
1869-1948  
John W. Bayly  
1870-1944  
Maude M. Bayly  
1868-1930  
Jesse A. Bradley  
1882-1966  
Mabel D. Bradley  
1885-1971  
Carl P. Burch  
1898-1932  
Arthur M. Clure  
1900-1956  
Ruth F. Clure  
-1976  
Florence Ames Draper  
1876-1957  
Rufus H. Draper  
1876-1950  
Dot Edgar  
1876-1965  
Helen B. Fawcett  
1905-1969  
Alfred William Gross  
1881-1946  
A. Glyndon Gross  
1915-1946  
Charles S. Haig  
1883-1947  
Rev. John S. Halfaker  
1879-1936  
Lucy Lee Halfaker  
1881-1973  
Jarl Werner Hanson  
1894-1952  
Frederick D. Harlow  
1876-1945

Gertrude M. Harlow  
1882-1975  
Alan W. Hedenberg  
1961-1964  
Carlisle M. Heimbach  
1890-1976  
Charlene B. Heimbach  
1898-1968  
Philip C. Holgate  
1887-1972  
Lindsay E. Jenks  
1868-1950  
Martin L. Jenks  
1861-1925  
Dr. Robert W. Johnson  
1877-1949  
Rose B. Johnson  
1883-1959  
Elizabeth Myra Kermott  
1887-1974  
Otto G. Lachmund  
1895-1968  
Oscar John Larson  
1871-1957  
Dorothy R. Larson  
1872-1940  
John Marshall Larson  
1903-1925  
Ethel Lubratovich  
1911-1970  
George M. Macaulay, Jr.  
1895-1973  
Oscar Mitchell  
1863-1937  
Mary W. Mitchell  
1868-1962  
Vandla Olsen  
1890-1946  
Herbert M. Peterson  
1870-1943  
Virginia Everhard Peterson  
1916-1974  
Arthur O. Roberts  
1899-1973  
Raymond H. Rouse  
1893-1971

Clinton F. Russell  
1895-1961  
Frederick H. Sellwood  
1913-1950  
John W. Sellwood  
1913-1948  
Royal F. Shepard  
1896-1954  
Adelaide D. Shepard  
1899-1952  
George C. Spalding  
1870-1949  
Alice I. Spalding  
1875-1971  
George H. Spencer  
1876-1960  
Jessica M. Spencer  
1886-1976  
Marshall Spencer  
1915-1922  
E. King Staples  
1889-1972  
Carroll Steele  
1884-1969  
Marjorie H. Steele  
1893-1963  
Alonzo W. Taylor  
1887-1964  
Mildred R. Taylor  
1893-1975  
Lowell A. Weesner  
1899-1968  
Amasa E. Wheeler  
1889-1971  
Mrs. Amasa E. Wheeler  
1897-1974  
Grant R. Willard  
1892-1969  
Elizabeth S. Williamson  
1875-1963  
Harvey F. Williamson  
1868-1928  
Harvey F. Williamson, Jr.  
1904-1928

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## EASTER

During the Nazi occupation, the archbishop of Paris observed that to be a faithful witness meant "living in such a way that one's life would be inexplicable if God did not exist." Jesus inspires belief in God by his teaching, the quality of his life, the manner of his death and resurrection, and his persisting power to nourish and shape life today. Jesus' life can best be explained as God's gift, bestowed to reveal the divine will for human life. Jesus is God's ambassador, the agent of God's loving will to fulfill our human destiny and hope.

### CHRIST IS RISEN!

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!  
Without the resurrection there would be no church,  
No New Testament, no Christian faith, no Easter hymns,  
No community of persons who in Christ's name  
Reach out with compassion and healing and justice.  
To let God's power for new life affect the world.  
In fact, we scarcely would have heard of Jesus  
Or maybe never even heard of him at all.  
Easter is no optional appendix; it is the heart of our faith.  
But Christ's resurrection is not an event for us to control,  
To seize and dissect and hold in our hands.  
It is God's deed of new creation that holds us,  
That has shown God's power to bring new life out of death,  
Not simply in some far-off future but now in our history.  
Christ's resurrection is not the revival of the old;  
It is the arrival of God's new age  
At work to enter our hearts and lives, our work and world.  
Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

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April 10,

Luke 24:34

THE SPIRIT ON THE LORD'S DAY



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINN.  
A United Church of Christ  
April 17, 1977

PRELUDE

Rhosymedre

R. Vaughan Williams

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 345 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"  
\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 94, page 531

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of righteousness and truth, we admit you and to one another that we often choose wrong in preference to the right. The spirit of sacrificial love revealed in our Lord is frequently absent from our living. Many times we are long on pride and self-indulgence and on courage and faithfulness. As we begin worship, we ask your forgiveness and your inspiration. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Awake, My Heart, with Gladness"

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (see insert)  
James and Pam Riley

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS SILENT PRAYER  
THE LORD'S PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory Anthem  
"I Will Sing New Songs of Gladness"

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication  
OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY  
Moment of Concern

\*HYMN 217

SCRIPTURE READING

Betsy Brownell

"Lord of All Hopeful Souls"

SERMON  
PRAYER

Craft Dryer, Diaconate  
"Faith Becoming"

ORDER FOR THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

(At the invitation of the minister, the new members will come forward to the foot of the pulpit platform.)

Minister: Friends, we welcome your decision to be one of us. We do not meet here as those who consider themselves better than others, but rather as those who, admitting their limitations, are glad to declare together "the wonderful deeds of him who calls us out of darkness into his marvelous light." Christian faith is never purely private. Christ began his work by gathering a community of discipleship. So today, as our Statement of Faith declares, "he calls us into his church to accept the cost and joy of discipleship, to be his servants in the service of men, to proclaim the gospel to all the world and resist the powers of evil, to share in Christ's baptism and eat at his table, to join him in his passion and victory."

It is on the basis of this call that the church becomes the body of Christ, a royal priesthood, God's own people. To join that body is to enter into a covenant second to none in its solemnity.

(To those who unite with a church for the first time)

We welcome you who for the first time in your lives seek confirmation as members of the Church Universal. Do you now affirm your faith in God as revealed in Jesus Christ and your intention to lead a life of Christian discipleship.

Answer: "I do."

Minister: We pray that through his Holy Spirit God will strengthen you in this decision.



(To those who come by letter from other churches  
or by reaffirmation of faith)

Friends who come from other churches, we welcome the contribution which you will make to our common Christian experience in other places. Do you promise now to uphold Pilgrim Congregational Church by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your constructive criticism and your love?

Answer: I do.

Minister: I read to you now the covenant of the church:

We are united in striving to know the will of God as taught in the Holy Scriptures, and in our purpose to walk in the ways of the Lord made known to us. We therefore join together with each other to worship, work and live as loyal disciples of Jesus, to love our fellow men a life of righteousness and brotherly love, and to do all within our power to promote the reign of God's will in all human relations.

Do you accept this covenant as your own?  
Answer: I do.

#### The Welcome

(The new members will turn and face the congregation. The members of Pilgrim Church, led by one of the Diaconate, will then stand and join in this welcome:)

We then as members of this church, gladly welcome you to a part with us in the hopes, the labors, the joys of the Church of Christ. We promise to walk with you in Christian love and sympathy, to promote, as far as in us lies, your growth in the Christian life.

Right Hand of Fellowship (Minister and church officer).

#### Excerpts from MANIFESTO FOR THE NEW LIBERAL CHURCH

The new liberal church rejects:

The impulse of society to use the church as an agency for keeping things as they are. The traditional role of religious institutions has been to declare the blessing of the gods on all other institutions. There have been exceptions: the prophets of Israel, the one who announced: "It was written of old. . . but I say," even at times the leaders of the old liberal church. But the exceptions have been rare.

The new liberal church will not forget its heritage; indeed, the hope is that it will do a better job of remembering that heritage than did the old liberal church. The new liberal church will not reject old values or customs or institutions simply out of rebellious pride. However, it will continually raise questions as to whether some old values may not be ancient prejudices; some old customs, antique superstitions; some old institutions, stubborn obstacles in the way of a more abundant life.

The new liberal church will affirm:

A courageous acceptance of the open-endedness of the church's task and the church's perspective in a fast-changing world. Its faith will include not only the elements of belief and trust, but also those of venture and vision. Knowing that the future is open and that all creaturely endeavor is finite, the new liberal church will confer no finality on any way of doing things either in the church itself or in society at large. Confident that their God goes before them as he went before the people of Israel, the people in such a church will see themselves engaged not in a holding operation, but in a great adventure.



## OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Daylight saving time goes into effect next day. Set your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday night.

CHANGE OF DATE: The Bible Study Retreat dates are changed to June 17-18. This retreat is open to all interested people. Theme: "The Bible and the Life of the Christian." The Reverend Robert W. Brenning, resource leader. The retreat will be held at the College of St. Scholastica from Friday evening, June 17 (supper) through late afternoon Saturday, June 18. Registrations are being taken now.

The churches of the East End Ecumenical Cluster are holding a marriage retreat weekend for couples seeking to enrich and recommit their marriage. The leader will be the Reverend Dan Bergeland, Director of the Duluth Lutheran Social Service Center. Dates are Friday evening, April 29 through 1:00 P. M. Sunday, May 1. Cost \$40. Registrations may be made through Dr. Shepard no later than April 25.

## CALENDAR

Monday.	7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.
	7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.
Tuesday.	6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group
	the Lemon Tree.
Wednesday.	4:00 p.m. Kindergarten teachers meeting
	7:00 p.m. Junior teachers.
	7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class
	7:30 p.m. Lower Junior teachers
	8:00 p.m. Primary teachers.
Thursday.	8:30 p.m. Moorhead Choir Concert.
Saturday.	10:00 a.m. Confirmation rehearsal.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 362

"Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve"

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

Hyfrydol

R. Vaughan Williams

POSTLUDE

Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee fellowship after the service and to register in the guest book in the front vestibule. The flowers this morning are given by Mr. C. L. Edson in memory of his mother, Mrs. E. D. Edson.

It is not too late to give to our Easter offering for One Great Hour of Sharing. We have received \$696 to date. Special envelopes are in the pews.

The Moorhead State University Choir will sing here on Thursday evening at 8:30. The director, David Ferreira, formerly was a member of the Pilgrim Church Choir.

Next Sunday there will be a service of confirmation. The confirmands and their parents are invited to a reception following the service conducted by the Board of Christian Education.

The Confirmation Class will rehearse Saturday morning at 10:00.

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## SECOND SUNDAY IN EASTERTIDE

April 17, 1977

Revelation 1:9-13:17

To worship is to ascribe worth to what most we revere: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain." It is to humble oneself before Another; "Come, let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker." It is to dance before God, as David, to make sacred melody, like the Psalmist, to give thanks in all seasons, like Paul. As did John, the exiled Elder on Patmos, it is to remember Jesus' resurrection, to remain patient amid trials, and to be "in the spirit on the Lord's day." Through all the events of our lives, "Come, let us worship the Lord, our God."

### "I DID FINE!"

Nineteen-year-old Seidu painfully labored through the reading aloud of a long list of words. He was the youngest in the class of men learning English in Freetown, Sierra Leone, West Africa. Seidu is what's called a "small boy" for a local business firm. He sweeps, makes tea, and runs simple errands. His ambition is to become a messenger, but to do that he must be able to read addresses. This night, despite his poor spoken English, he has successfully read the entire list of English words without an error. A rare, shy smile flashed across his face. Missionary Muffie Alling recalls his mumbled, "I did fine!" and the glow in his eyes. And she remembers that the entire class stood and cheered him on.

Muffie Alling and her husband are United Church of Christ missionaries, serving in a wide variety of situations. Their address in Sierra Leone is c/o Catholic Relief Services. The literacy class which she teaches three nights a week is a project of the Urban Center, a joint Anglican and United Methodist enterprise. She also teaches a nurse class in the International School and manages a home and family. Her husband, Guy, is helping to set up a new Christian Health Association to coordinate the health and welfare work of all mission groups in Sierra Leone, an association of which he is the first executive secretary.

Guy and Muffie, believing that Christians everywhere have to stand as examples of the best there is and have to do the little extra that makes the difference in our trouble-bound world, find their reward in Seidu's comment, "I did fine!"

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## CONFIRMATION





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH (UCC)  
Duluth, Minnesota  
3rd Sunday in Eastertide  
April 24, 1977

### WORSHIP WITH CONFIRMATION

ORGAN PRELUDE

Voluntary

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 490 "Now in the Days of"

WELCOME

Dr. Shepard

PRAYER followed by the LORD'S PRAYER (In Unison)  
Pattie van Druten

\*UNITED CHURCH STATEMENT OF FAITH (inside hymnal cover)  
led by Amy Smith

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament

Ecclesiastes 11:9

New Testament

Proverbs 16:1-3

Jamie Peterson

SERMONS

"WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?"

Jay Brown

In Our Social Life  
In School and Work  
In Church

Charlie Fischer

HYMN

"Morning Has Broken"

Cathy Beck  
Kim Swain

#38 Pilgrim Hymnal  
#15 Genesis Songbook

The class will sing verses 1 and 2 alone and  
the congregation will join on the last verse.  
Banjo accompaniment, Jamie Peterson

### THE ORDER FOR CONFIRMATION

OFFERING

Offertory

Ann Knabe, piano Minuet

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*HYMN 245

Kim Swain, violin  
"Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me"

### THE ORDER FOR CONFIRMATION

Commission on Worship, United Church of Christ,  
(adapted.)

Before confirmation the diaconate shall be satisfied that the confirmands have been properly instructed in the Christian faith and desire to receive the rite. Confirmation shall be administered in the presence of the worshiping congregation except in cases of extremity, when it may be administered privately in the presence of the diaconate. The chairperson of the diaconate shall announce the names of the confirmands and invite them to stand before the congregation, saying:)

Dear friends in Christ: the church bestows on these who have been received into the fellowship of Christ through baptism the rite of confirmation. These persons have studied the word of God and have been instructed in the practice of the Christian faith. They are here to profess their faith, and to be confirmed by God for service in this world.

The minister shall say to the confirmands:)

You have come that God may claim you publicly for his service, confirm you in his covenant, and invoke upon you the Holy Spirit by whose help alone you are able to fulfill your vows.

Hear the word of our Lord and of his apostles concerning the gift of the Spirit.

The minister shall read the following passage of scripture:)

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the spirit of sonship. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is the Spirit himself bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God.



(The minister shall ask the questions and the confirmands shall answer:)

I ask you now in the presence of God and the congregation: Will you renounce the worship of self and give yourself to the worship of God alone?

I renounce the worship of self and give myself to God.

Do you confess your faith in Christ as Lord?  
I confess my faith.

Do you promise, according to the grace given, always to remain a faithful member of the church of our Lord Jesus Christ, to come to the Lord's table, to love and serve God among men, and bear witness to the risen Lord working in the world?  
I promise.

(The confirmands will join in the Pilgrim Church Covenant.)

We are united in striving to know the will of God as taught in the Holy Scriptures, and in our purpose to walk in the ways of the Lord made known or to be made known to us. We therefore join and covenant with each other to worship and serve together as loyal disciples of Jesus, to live among our fellow men a life of righteousness and brotherly love, and to do all within our power to promote the reign of God with in all human relations.

(The confirmands shall kneel and the minister, laying his hands on the head of each, shall say:)

Strengthen, O Lord, these your servants, with your heavenly grace, that they may continue yours forever; and daily increase in them your Holy Spirit, until they come into your everlasting kingdom.  
Amen.

After the laying on of hands, the minister shall offer the following prayer:)

We give you thanks, most merciful Father, for the goodness you have shown toward these servants by giving them power this day to accept for themselves the covenant of salvation. Perfect the good work which you have begun in them. Keep them faithful to death, that no one may take from them the crown of life. Grant that having continued steadfast in faith and hope to the end, they may be received with all the saints into life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The confirmands standing, a member of the Diaconate shall extend the hand of fellowship, and the minister shall say:)

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I extend to you the right hand of fellowship, and welcome you to participate in the work God sets before us in the world.

The congregation shall stand and say:)

Beloved, we greet you with joy. We pledge to you our friendship in the Lord, and will give you our support in prayer and service that you may continue to grow in the knowledge and love of God and be witnesses of Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

The newly confirmed members shall take their places in the worshipping congregation. The service shall continue in the usual manner and may conclude with the words:)

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no man evil for evil; strengthen the faint-hearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honor all men; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.  
The peace of God, which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.



COMMISSION AND BLESSING Henry Lewis  
Voluntary on the Doxology Purcell  
POSTLUDE

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Cover Design for this folder: Reid Magney

Announcing the Music: Ann Fifield

Others: Jill Amundson Pete Mellin  
Tom Bonnell Amy Smith  
Bill Gemuenden

#### MEMBERS OF THE CONFIRMATION CLASS

*Jill Amundson	*Henry R. Lewis
*Catharine A. Beck	*Reid T. Magney
*Thomas H. Bonnell	*Peter R. Mellin
*Jay W. Brooker	Tony Mitchell
*Ann W. Fifield	*James B. Peterson
*Charles H. Fischer	**Andrew M. Slack
*William J. Gemuenden	*Amy F. Smith
Elinor M. Gum	*Kimberly A. Swain
Ruth A. Johnson	*Patricia J. van Druten
*Ann C. Knabe	Diane E. Wandmaker

\*To be confirmed today

\*\*To be confirmed in May

Members of the class are asked to remain in the church following the service so that their photograph may be taken. Following the photograph, the class members and their parents will attend a reception in Fellowship Hall. The Board of Christian Education and the Diaconate are joint hosts with Reg Underdahl and Tiss Underdahl in charge. Marge Whitney of the C.E. Board will present a gift to each class member.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Director



### OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to visitors! You are invited to for the coffee fellowship after the service, register in the guestbook in the front vestib.

The flowers this morning are given by Mrs. Percy G. Dunbar and family in memory of son, Gordon William Dunbar.

The congregation is invited to attend an with Northland College Thursday at 7:30 P.M. Voyageurs, a small singing group specializing French chansons will sing. The program is outside the office.

A new movie projector and screen have been cured from the following memorial funds: the Eleanor M. Smith Memorial Fund, the George M. Macaulay, Jr. Memorial Fund, and the Donald Stalker Memorial Fund.

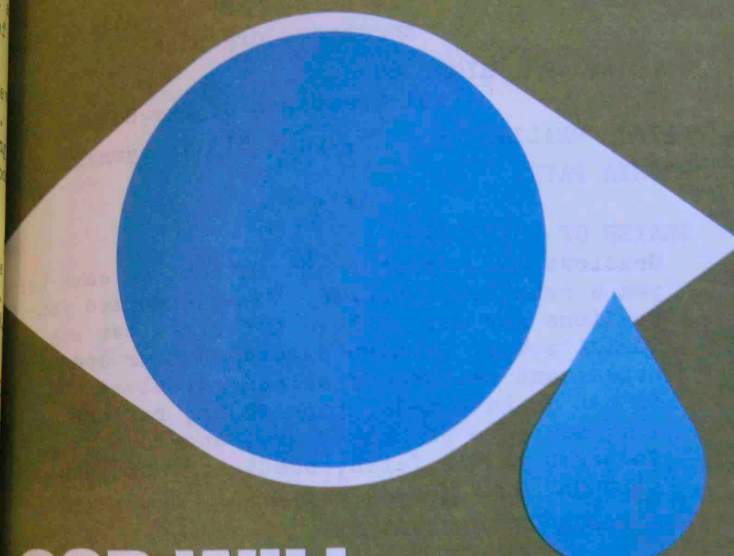
Copies of the Easter sermon are now available.

Panel discussion on "Violence in TV", 7:30 Tuesday at Ordean Junior High School. For more information see notice on bulletin board outside office.

Members are invited to a meeting on "The H capped and a Caring Ministry" sponsored by S Advocates for Independent Living", UMD Kirby room, Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. \$3. RSVP 722-4018. Eastern Duluth Town Meeting April 30 at East High School.

Make reservations for our Arrowhead Council Churches annual dinner meeting by calling 727-5020. Meeting date is Tuesday, May 3, 6 Speaker: Rabbi Jon Konheim.

Note change of date for Bible Study Retreat June 17-18, at the College of St. Scholastica. Tuesday: 6:45 A.M. Bible Study Group at the Lemon Tree. 7:30 P.M. Diaconate at the church.



**GOD WILL  
WIPE AWAY  
EVERY TEAR  
FROM THEIR  
EYES**



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota  
A United Church of Christ

May 1, 1977

PRELUDE "Chant de May" 10:30  
Lee Engstrom, organist Joseph  
\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 64  
"All Creatures of Our God and  
\*UNISON READING No. 55, page 513 in hymnal  
\*GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
Gracious God, Creator and Father, we come before  
you a rebellious people. We have denied your  
intentions for us; we have preferred our way to  
Christ's way; we have disobeyed your commands  
ments; and we have worshiped ourselves and  
things we have made. Forgive us, restore in  
the knowledge of who we are, and make us able  
to serve you in faith, obedience, and joy;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS  
THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (page 498 in hymnal)  
Paula Kristie Marquardt  
THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC  
"God So Loved the World"  
OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 32:1-6  
David S. Bouschor, Clerk  
PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS SILENT PRAYER  
THE LORD'S PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE  
OFFERING  
Organ Offertory  
\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication  
OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

CALENDAR

Monday

7:30 p.m. Steering Committee for Workshop on  
Growing Older.

Tuesday

6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group, Lemon Tree.  
7:30 p.m. Board of Christian Education.

Wednesday

11:00 a.m. Women's Fellowship Board meeting.  
12:30 p.m. Luncheon and Annual Meeting.  
7:15 p.m. Group 3 at Mary Austin's.  
7:30 p.m. Worship Committee in Study.

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COMING EVENTS - Church School Day on May 15 -  
see Pilgrim News for details.

Pilgrim Fellowship-ers need work - like raking  
lawn, washing cars, putting on screens, etc.  
Sign up on Colony Bulletin board today and a will-  
ing worker will call you promptly. Proceeds go  
for canoe trip.

They've done it again! P.F., that is -- planned  
the famous Grodnikburger lunch for after church,  
Sunday, May 15. To plan, responsible reservations  
are needed. Sign up now - leave reservation slip  
in basket under Colony Bulletin Board in Salter  
Hall. Profits go to finance P.F. Canoe trip.

RESERVATION SLIP

for lunch, May 15

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Vis How many: (adults) \_\_\_\_\_ (children 10 or younger) \_\_\_\_\_  
\$1.50 \$1.00  
How many: Coffee \_\_\_\_\_ Tea \_\_\_\_\_ Koolaid \_\_\_\_\_



HYMN 371

NEW TESTAMENT READING

SERMON

PRAYER

RECESSIONAL HYMN 60

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"He Who Would Valiant Be"

Matthew 17:9-17

"Climbing Down the Mountain"

"Savior, Again to Thy Dear Name"

RESPONSE

"Choral"

Jongen

### OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee fellowship after the service. We hope you will register in the guestbook in the front vestibule.

The flowers this morning are given in memory of Mr. Rupert R. Asplund by Mrs. Asplund and David.

Ushers for the month of May: Charles Andresen, Captain, John Glendenning, Sr., Joseph H. Leek, Shirley A. Swain, Alonzo W. Taylor, Jr.

New SERRV shipment in! Take a moment to look for wedding, shower, Mother's Day and graduation ideas during the coffee fellowship today.

The Women's Fellowship will hold its annual meeting on Wednesday following the 12:30 luncheon. The East High Choraliers will sing. SERRV gifts will also be available at that time.

The annual May Fellowship Day observance sponsored by Church Women United will take place at the Duluth Congregational Church at 1:30 Friday. Theme: "Gifts to Claim". Special music. Tea following the program.

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# FOURTH SUNDAY IN EASTERTIDE

May 1, 1977

Revelation 7:9-17

The Bible climaxes with visions that sing and soar. The Revelation of John exalts Christ, "the Lamb that was slain," who is worthy of "blessing and honor...forever and ever!" It exalts in God's assurance to those who face martyrdom that God will ease their pain, wipe their tears away, and set them on a throne next to Christ. The promises are given to us: guidance through shadowed vales, strength in hours of trial, an end to the weeping that carries for a night. God pledges us that eternal morning will finally come and mourning will forever go.

## THAT SOME MAY LIVE

Hunger stalks the world. Our response in the United Church of Christ takes several forms. Existing channels for helping hungry people are being utilized more fully, and larger goals are being suggested for churches for the One Great Hour of Sharing all-church offering to further agricultural development in many needy countries in order to deliver more food to hungry people.

In addition, the Tenth General Synod placed high priorities on the world food crisis and established the U.C.C. Hunger Action Fund in which contributions may be given throughout the year. Grants from this fund are used to educate and mobilize people in support of programs which alleviate hunger, support advocacy of public policy changes at local, state, and federal levels, channel additional aid to food-related projects, help prepare theological and ethical studies which will undergird the entire effort and plainly say: God does not intend that some be left hungry while others are well fed.

Despite all that we are able to do, not all of the world's hungry can be fed. Some will die—even this very day! But what we do in response to our denomination's Hunger Action Program will count. It will affect the lives of many. And some hungry people will live just because of our gifts and because of our concern. How many is up to us!

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you are my disciples,  
if you have love  
for one another



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
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May 8, 1977

PRELUDE

Voluntary in E Minor John R.  
Pastorale Charles

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 66

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER

\*GLORIA PATRI

"For the Beauty of the  
No. 70, page 518

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought and word and deed, that we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, with our mind and strength, and that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We beseech O God, to be forgiving to what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and of your goodness may ever be first in our hearts, that we may always walk in your commandments and ordinances blameless, and follow to our life end in the steps of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

OLD TESTAMENT READING

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

Ruth Lewis

CHORAL RESPONSE

"The Earth Adorned"

Psalm 121

Genesis 1:2

SILENT PRAYER

CALENDAR

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service and Church School.

Monday

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.  
7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.  
7:30 p.m. Committee on Stewardship and Mission.

Tuesday

6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group at the Lemon Tree.  
12:00 noon Board of Trustees.

Wednesday

12:30 p.m. Group 1 at Dorothy Honigman's, 706 Woodland Avenue  
Group 2 at Mary Robert's, 2141 Vermilion Road.

Thursday

7:00 p.m. Church softball game at field above reservoir, 4th St. & 34th Ave. E.

Make your reservations today for lunch after the service next Sunday. This is the famous Grodnik-burger lunch planned by the Pilgrim Fellowship to help finance their canoe trip. Leave your reservation slip in the basket under the Colony Bulletin Board in Salter Hall.

RESERVATION SLIP  
for lunch, May 15

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
How many: (adults) \_\_\_\_\_ (children 10 or younger) \_\_\_\_\_  
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OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY  
Moment of Concern - Harriet Fredin  
"We Plow the Fields"  
HYMN 460 I Peter 1:22-25  
NEW TESTAMENT READING  
"Bible and Sod"

SERMON  
PRAYER  
RECESSIONAL HYMN 29 "Now Thank We All Our God"  
BENEDICTION RESPONSE  
Cornet Voluntary Henry Heron  
POSTLUDE

#### OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to visitors! We invite you to join us  
for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service  
and to register in the guest book by the main front  
doors.

The flowers on the communion table are given by  
Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Parson in memory of their  
mothers, Edith Irvine Parson and Marie Hersey.

Pilgrim Fellowship-ers need work - like raking  
lawns, washing cars, putting on screens, etc. Sign  
up on the Colony Bulletin board in Salter Hall to-  
day and a willing worker will call you promptly.  
Proceeds go for canoe trip.

The Board of Christian Education wishes to inform  
the congregation that church school teachers are in  
drastically short supply for next year! Volunteers  
are needed - or church school for children will be  
curtailed. Call or see a board member or Elsie Jean  
Austin today and volunteer your self!  
P.S. Two people have volunteered - Hurrah!

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Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## FIFTH SUNDAY IN EASTERTIDE

May 8, 1977

John 13:34

True love in a family is a model of love in the Kingdom of God. Love is spontaneous, more than it is earned. It seeks no reward, but is freely offered. It is not casual. It is not limited to the convenience of one who gives or seeks it. Such love is bestowed with responsible concern for its effect on the one toward whom it is extended. It is love that outlasts all deserving. In the home, it builds sturdy persons. In the Household of God, it marks authentic faith and wins people to Christ's disciples. "Have love for one another!"

### THE FAMILY REUNITED

Living in a family setting, surrounded by the comforts and security of love and understanding, we tend to dismiss the world around us. It is not until we come across a magazine article, a new book, or perhaps the story of a neighbor or relative, that we are reminded of just how much we take for granted, including our own families.

We so easily forget, amidst the hustle and bustle of everyday living, that there is a unique spiritual wealth and beauty embodied in each and every one of our family members. Blessed as we are, we forget that there are others who are living alone without the grace of close loved ones and who must rely on friends and neighbors much like ourselves.

As Christians living in a diverse society, each of us is called upon by our own beliefs to extend our vision, our understanding and concern, and to embrace those who know loneliness and the hurt of death, divorce or separation.

We pray for health and strength as we go about our earthly work, and in thankfulness to God we extend the love that we ourselves have known to all of God's children.

Ms. Barbara Jones Riley  
Family Life and Women's Concerns  
United Church Board for Homeland Ministries

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my peace I give to you





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINN.  
A United Church of Christ  
Order of Worship

May 15, 1977

WE CELEBRATE - THE CHURCH SCHOOLS  
Sonata  
on "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Organ Music

The Invitation to Worship God

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\*Coming in Hymn #66 "For the Beauty of the Earth"  
Joyful Noises

\*Song #34, Genesis Songbook (Everyone sings)  
"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Lives"

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Paraphrase on I Corinthians 13

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Song #46, Genesis Songbook  
(seated)

Offering Prayer  
(We give our gifts of money to help other people)

Anthem (Adult Choir - words on insert)  
"Lord, Make Me an Instrument of Thy Peace"

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of thanks that we can give to our church

We Celebrate Growing

\*Hymn #317

Bible Readings and Psalms  
from Genesis and Acts

Four- and five-year-olds  
"I Love to Tell the Story"

Wendy Anderson and  
third & fourth graders

Choir Anthem

"Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace.  
Where there is injury, let me sow pardon;  
Where there is doubt, faith; despair, hope;  
Where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.  
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console; to be understood as  
to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is  
in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that  
we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born  
to eternal life. Lord, make me an instrument of  
thy peace. Amen."

The fourth graders receiving Bibles are:

Andy Anderson, Hal Bradley, Dean Brickson, Peter  
Clare, Christopher Cook, Billy Fride, Bill Lundberg,  
Lori Morrison, David Sellwood, Caillin Matzke,  
Scott Proud and Charlotte Smith.

We salute the following children (and their parents),  
kindergarten through 8th grade, whose attendance  
since September, 1976 is exceptionally good accord-  
ing to class records:

Kindergarten: Elizabeth Cleveland, Beth Morrison,  
Lorie Olson, Marion Casserberg, Heather Glendenning,  
Christopher Harwood.

First Grade: Leila Downs, Sarah Harwood, Amy Heden-  
berg, Suzanne Heller, Janeen Smith, Jim Sellwood.

Second Grade: Cindy Downs, Scott Glendenning,  
Marion Jaeger, Susan Hedenberg.

Third Grade: Nancy Anderson, Martin Austin, John Hel-  
dner, Bobby Lundberg, Tommy May, Elisabet Casserberg.

Fourth Grade: Wendy Anderson, Bill Lundberg, Caillin  
Matzke, Lori Morrison, David Sellwood, Charlotte  
Smith.

Fifth Grade: John Glendenning, Beth Lundberg, Andy  
Olson.

Sixth Grade: Lisa Hedenberg, Nancy van Druten,  
David Riley.

Junior High: Lisa Austin, Steven Morrison,  
Melanie Anderson, Patricia Fuller.



The teachers and their families deserve our respect and appreciation. All teachers, including substitutes, are invited to the Appreciation Breakfast next Sunday (reservations due today please). As important, though, is your word of thanks to them. You can also celebrate your children and youth and your church by volunteering to help the teaching ministry - call or see Elsie Jean Austin today! If each parent offered two years for each of their children we'd be well staffed. The Board of Christian Education reports that the tailment of program will be essential unless parents volunteer now!

This year's teachers and substitutes\* include:  
Child Care and Nursery: James van Druten, Susan van Druten, Sharon\* and Pattie\* van Druten, Mary Ann Hurre, Margo Hurre, Beverly Meier\*, Karen Andresen\*, Ruth Amundson\*, Jody Glendenning\*, Jean Von\*, Elizabeth Peterson, Dorothy Gum.

Kindergarten: Jennifer Johnson, Sandra Sellwood, Marge Anderson\*, Laurie Anderson\*.

Primary: Katharine Knabe, Pamela VerWay, Jeanette Knabe\*, Tris Harwood, Linda Olson, Patti Gemeinhart, Betty Crowell\*.

Lower Junior: Julie Smith, Earl Austin, Genevieve Plumb\*, Debbie Amundson\*, Lois Heller\*, Joan Morrison\*.

Junior: Barbara Beck, Jonathan Stevens, Audrey Fischer\*, Laura Whitney\*, Jean Walters\* (and parents have assisted).

Junior High: Pearl Fuller, Dody Johnson\*.

Administrative: Peggy Underdahl\*, Mary Austin.

Librarians: Grace Morrison, Myrtle Beane.

Pilgrim Fellowship: Robert E. Heller.

Confirmation and Adult Classes: Dr. Royal Shepar, Dr. Paul Sylvester.

Sunrise Bible Study: Elsie Jean Austin and members of the group.

Teacher Training Sessions: The Reverend Robert Brenning.

WICEF: Pamela VerWay, Audrey Fischer and Elsie Jean Austin.

Wannors: Genevieve Plumb.

Board of Christian Education:  
 Earl Austin, Barbara Beck, Lucy Brenning, Gladys Carpenter, Thomas Gemuenden, James Kent, Patricia Kruger, William Lundberg, Joseph Saver, Peggy Underdahl, Jackie Von, Jean Walters, Marjorie Whitney.

## BIBLE STUDY RETREAT

June 17-18

Friday, 5:00-9:00 p.m. Sat., 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Link Room, Somers Hall, College of St. Scholastica

"The Life of the Christian and the Bible"

Leader: The Reverend Robert W. Brenning

Cost of \$8.00 includes food and supplies.

Registration sheets are in Salter Hall.

Everyone is welcome!

Reservation slip for teachers' breakfast  
 (and families)

This includes all of the above listed people even though they may have been missed in the mailing.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Children  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Coffee \_\_\_\_\_ Tea \_\_\_\_\_ Milk



# CALENDAR

Today 9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.  
10:30 a.m. Church School Day service.  
11:45 a.m. Grodnikburger lunch.

Monday 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts  
7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal  
7:30 p.m. Stewardship & Mission Comm.

Tuesday 6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group at the Lemon Tree.  
7:30 p.m. Church School Committee at Peace Church

Thursday 7:00 p.m. Church softball game, East

Persons with difficulty hearing may wish to sit in the front pews in either of the side sections. Those are the only locations near to the speaker. On the other hand, if one sits in the front pews of the center section one need not be dependent on a public address system. Finally, there are hearing phones installed in the rear pews of the center section.

The pads at the end of each pew are for use every Sunday. Write your name on the pad and pass it to your neighbor. Whoever is at the other end should send it back so you can all see who is in your pew.

Tuesday morning at 10:30 come to the small dining room and join others who will be working on items for the fall bazaar.

Wednesday will be silver cleaning day, starting at 9:00. Any help will be appreciated - bring a sponge.

You are invited to a flute recital Wednesday evening at 8:15 in UMD Bohannon Hall 90, presented by Frances Leek, assisted by Nancy Lokken, Anita Nalund and Patricia Laliberte.

The Fourth Graders Receive Bibles Dr. Shepard,  
Dr. Lundberg, Board of Christian Education,  
Earl Austin, Julie Smith, teachers  
(Parents of fourth graders please come forward)

Time and Again"

Attendance Recognition  
Marge Anderson, parent, teacher, board member

Music "Barcarolle" Grandjany  
Melanie Anderson, Harpist

Our Mutual Ministry

Story from the Minister "Friends" Dr. Shepard

Hymn #383 "Forward Through the Ages"

Benediction Words to Think About This Week  
Aileen Gum

Organ Music Toccata Marius Monnikendam

\*Everyone stands  
\*\*\*Latecomers are seated

The greeters today are Stacey Swain and Karen Gentner, with Patrick Smith, diaconate.

The ushers and those receiving the offering are:  
James Carpenter, Donald Gemuenden, Steven Morrison,  
Arthur Casserberg, Stephanie May, Dorothy Knabe,  
Lisa Austin, Charles Andresen, head usher.

The flowers this morning are given in memory of Arthur Roberts by Mrs. Roberts.

We thank an anonymous member of the church for helping to provide helium for the balloons.

Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## SIXTH SUNDAY IN EASTERTIDE

To take leave of each other we say, "Well, I've got to get going." Christ's goodbye to his disciples was more gracious: "My peace I leave with you." What is Christ's peace? It is not easy or cheap. Christ's love is an answer: "Those who love me, will keep my word." It is not a forgetful somnolence. God sends the Holy Spirit to awaken our memory. Christ's law and love. Jesus offers no self-serving repose that encourages us to idle life away. He calls to the twelve and to us, "Up, go forward!" into a life that is active in self-giving love.

May 13, 1977

John 14:27

## STRATEGY FOR A GREENER FUTURE

Most of us have read about the so-called Green Revolution, the development of new, super varieties of grain and other crops, which was supposed to promise a better future for a hungry world. By now we all know that new seeds, new fertilizers, and new planting methods alone won't make much difference unless they are accompanied by many other developments, the greater spread of agricultural knowledge, how, a decrease in the world's rate of population growth, and the improvement of systems of transportation and distribution of foodstuffs. One organization through which the United Church of Christ works is a direct way is called Agricultural Missions, Inc. For more than forty years the mission boards of Protestant denominations (now eighteen of them), Roman Catholic mission societies (now seven of them), the National Committee of the YMCA, and national, regional, and world councils of churches have cooperated in this united assault on poverty in rural areas overseas. Together, they have labored to build a worldwide network of people and organizations for improving the lot of the small farmer, helped agricultural projects around the world, provided leadership development workshops, short-courses, and training for local people and, in selected cases, assumed direct sponsorship programs that have significance as pilot projects.

We in the United Church of Christ support Agricultural Missions, Inc. through the annual One Great Hour of Sharing all-church offering. It is part of our strategy for a "greener future!"

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THE ALPHA AND THE OMEGA





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota  
A United Church of Christ

May 22, 1977

PRELUDE

Triptych for Organ  
I. Inner Peace  
II. Meditation

10:30  
No 1 Goers

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 366

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

\*A LITANY OF THANKS AND PRAISE (see inside index)  
\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Almighty Father, Lord of heaven and earth,  
we confess that we have sinned against you in  
thought, word, and deed. Have mercy upon us,  
O God, after your great goodness; according  
to the multitude of your mercies, do away our  
iniquities and cleanse us from our sins; for Jesus  
Christ's sake. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (page 498 in hymnal)  
Dorothy Jennifer Reichert, born March 15, 1977

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC  
"My Song Is Love Unknown"

OLD TESTAMENT READING

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS  
THE LORD'S PRAYER  
OFFERTORY

CHORAL RESPONSE

\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication  
OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY  
Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

On Tuesday the Sunrise Bible Study Group will  
meet at the Lemon Tree at 6:45 a.m. The Diaconate  
will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the small dining room.

Ex-English teacher and erstwhile theologian, Dr.  
Shepard, hopes to gather a few people who would  
like to read and discuss together some modern  
novels from a religious perspective. He would like  
to start with James Agee's "A Death in the Family",  
and move into such works as "Lord of the Flies"  
and "The Power and the Glory" as well as more re-  
cent things that the group might choose. Please let  
him know if you are interested. We might start  
people reading now with the hope of meeting together  
at the end of the summer.

The United Campus Ministry Governing Board invites  
many members of the congregation who are interested  
in the campus ministry to attend its annual meeting  
Wednesday of this week. The meeting will begin  
with dinner in Somers Hall at the College of St.  
Scholastica, starting promptly at 6:00 (cost \$4.50  
per person). Reservations are needed by tomorrow.  
Call the church office if you would like to attend.  
The speaker will be the Reverend Doug Throckmorton,  
Campus Minister, University of Wisconsin at Platte-  
ville, on the topic, "Career Planning, Higher Educa-  
tion, and Religious Values." Before becoming a  
campus minister Mr. Throckmorton was a parish pastor  
in Pine City, Minnesota and in Brookings, South Da-  
kota. He was a radio and television announcer be-  
fore entering the ministry. A short business meet-  
ing will be held for the election of officers.



# A LITANY OF THANKS AND PRAISE

Minister: Eternal God, your love calls us into being and calls us to express your love through a life of service. As we celebrate the 20th anniversary of the United Church of Christ, we pause to reflect on our past and we respond with anticipation and with joy to our future together. For your leadership and love during these twenty years of life as the United Church of Christ

Congregation: We give you thanks and praise.

Minister: For the heritage of the Congregational Churches, their founders and their faith for their concern for education both white and for black, for their concern for racial justice and a better life for all

Congregation: We give you thanks and praise.

Minister: For the heritage of the Christian Church born in this country out of a zeal for the unity of Christ's Church, with each living out a simple and sincere faith

Congregation: We give you thanks and praise.

Minister: For the heritage of the Evangelical Synod, its concern for "liberty of conscience", simple piety and faith, and its ministry to society through social action and evangelism and the establishment of agencies of social welfare

Congregation: We give you thanks and praise.

Minister: For the heritage of the Reformed Church, its commitment to both education and social welfare, its frequent founding of hospitals, orphanages and homes for the elderly

Congregation: We give you thanks and praise.

Minister: For the vision, patience and perseverance of the architects of union who brought into being the United Church of Christ, blending different styles of worship, different forms of government, and different emphases of Christian service

Congregation: We give you thanks and praise.

Minister: For twenty years of worship and ministry together, growing in understanding and respect for one another as we sought to respond ever more faithfully to your will, continuing your concern for strong and lively preaching of your Word, for faithful administration of sacraments, for both social justice and social welfare, so that your love may flow through us to all humankind

Congregation: We give you thanks and praise.

Minister: And now, as your future opens before us and we hear your call "to walk in all your ways, known or to be made known to us", grant us your continued guidance, wisdom and love and grant that we may respond to your invitation to join your Son in ministry to the hungry and the homeless, the sick and the sinful, the blind and those in bondage, that, finally "earth might be fair and all folk glad and wise."

Congregation: Amen.

(written by  
The Reverend Douglas W. Allen,  
Emerson Avenue Congregational Church,  
Richfield, Minnesota)



HYMN 97 "God of Our Life, Through All the Circling Years"  
Ephesians 4:1-7

NEW TESTAMENT READING  
"After 20 Years"

SERMON  
STATEMENT OF FAITH (Inside cover of hymnal)

RECESSIONAL HYMN 268  
"Lord, We Thank Thee for Our Brothers"

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE (from Triptych)

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III. Eternal Joy

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Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us  
for the coffee-koolaid fellowship following the  
service and to register in the guest book which is  
in the main front vestibule.

The flowers this morning are given in memory of  
Henry Hornby Atkins by the Atkins family.

This is the last day of church school classes  
for the season. There will be child care for  
little children downstairs during services.

Softball continues back of East High School at  
8:00 Thursday evenings.

Next Sunday the guest preacher will be Dorothy  
Belt. Members of the Diaconate Worship Committee  
will assist with the service.

#### IN MEMORIAM

G. A. W. Hedenberg  
a member since November 1948

Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## SEVENTH SUNDAY IN EASTERTIDE

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17  
May 22

The Bible describes the creation of a humanity bearing God's image, our loss of that image, exile from Eden, and estrangement from God. God acts through ages to re-create that image: the Flood and Noah, bondage in Egypt and freedom in Palestine, profligate Kings and prophets of the King, exile in Babylon and Israel restored, the death and new life of Jesus, his ascent and the Spirit's descent. Christ is the Alpha and the Omega: the Word that stands with God at the dawn of time and the model of a New Humanity that awaits us at the edge of Eternity.

### PREPARING "GUARDIANES DE SALUD" FOR HONDURAS

"Guardianes de Salud," for you who don't understand Spanish, does mean "salad gardens"! It means "health promoters" and it refers to a public health program in Honduras which is sponsored by the government for placing a Guardian de Salud in each rural village area to treat simple ailments and to refer people with more serious complaints to an auxiliary nurse serving the area who treats some patients and refer more serious cases to the area hospital. The government gives each Guardian de Salud an initial week of training, then refresher course and on-the-job supervision.

In an effort to supplement and improve the role of these Guardianes de Salud, the Evangelical and Reformed Church of Honduras, our partner church, with help from missionary Dr. Joyce Baker of the United Church Board for World Ministries, has offered a more complete training course. Until last year this course was four months in length and open to persons who had completed primary school. Then, because of the extra needs occasioned by the Honduran earthquake, the course was concentrated into two months and opened to persons with as little as two years of schooling. The course offers both classroom work and clinical experience and covers anatomy and physiology, first aid, diet, disease, nutrition, microbiology, and obstetrics. Because of the great need for better health care and because of the limited health facilities, there is great emphasis placed on preventive medicine.

When you support Our Christian World Mission, you help Dr. Baker and her colleagues train Guardianes de Salud for Honduran villages.

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# like the rush of a mighty wind





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota  
A United Church of Christ  
PENTECOST

May 29, 1977

PRELUDE "Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord"  
"Come, Gracious Spirit, Heavenly Dove"  
\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 14 "The God of Abraham"  
\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 64, page 515  
\*GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER OF CONFESSION  
God of righteousness and truth, we admit to  
and to one another that we often choose the  
wrong in preference to the right. The spirit  
sacrificial love revealed in our Lord is fre-  
quently absent from our living. Many times  
are long on pride and self-indulgence and sh-  
on courage and faithfulness. As we begin our  
worship, we ask your forgiveness and your in-  
spiration. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC  
"The Heavens Are Telling"  
OLD TESTAMENT READING  
PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS  
THE LORD'S PRAYER  
OFFERING  
\*Offering Anthem  
\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

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and take note of who is sharing the pew with you

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Add your name to the list of those signed up for  
Dr. Shepard's novel reading group. The first books  
are ordered and we hope to hold at least an intro-  
ductory meeting in June. The sign-up sheet is on  
the bulletin outside the office.

The Guthrie Theatre is making special arrangements  
for people from our church to attend the perfor-  
mance of Design for Living on Saturday, November  
12. A symposium on the religious significance of  
this play will be held in Duluth the following day.  
People in the church group will pay \$6.45 for seats  
normally costing \$7.95. Add your name to the list  
of those making reservations on the bulletin out-  
side the office.

Summer Music Adventure on "He Lived the Good Life"  
music - fun - friends - a cooperative session  
with (and at) Peace Church, August 8-12 (9:00-  
11:30 a.m.) for 3rd-8th graders (as of June '77).  
Register NOW!

You are invited by East High School's Creative  
Studies Classes to attend "The Unanswerable Ques-  
tions", a unique and thought-provoking dramatic  
presentation featuring both contemporary and  
classical literature, at 2:00 this afternoon in  
the new Depot Theater. Pilgrims in the cast are  
Martha Livingston, Sue van Druten and Fran Wand-  
maker.

Attending the annual meeting of the Minnesota Con-  
ference Thursday-Saturday will be Dr. and Mrs.  
Keith Fawcett, Ramon Stevens, Dr. Joseph H. Leek  
and Dr. Shepard.

Sunrise Bible Study Group, 6:45 a.m. Tuesday  
Bazaar Sewing, 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at church.  
Softball, 7:00 p.m. Thursday behind East High.



"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

John 3:1-8

HYMN 234  
NEW TESTAMENT READING

"In the Image of God"

Dorothy B. Belt

SERMON  
PROCESSIONAL HYMN 416

"Christian, Rise and Act Thy Creed"

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Karg-Elert

POSTLUDE

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Assisting in the service today are Marge Anderson and Tiss Underdahl from the Diaconate Worship Committee. Dr. Shepard is preaching the baccalaureate sermon at Northland College.

The flowers on the communion table are given in memory of Mr. Alex D. Chisholm by Mrs. Chisholm.

The flowers on the small table are in loving memory of John F. Thompson and Margaret (Cook) Thompson, given by their daughter, Mrs. Lois Ann Rood of Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

We welcome visitors and invite you to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship following the service.

Next Sunday we shall celebrate communion. The sermon will deal with the spiritual presence of Jesus Christ.

Reservations for the Junior High Picnic (June 5) are due now.

Wanted desperately: One or more persons who could play a simple piece on a solo instrument at a service conducted by Dr. Shepard at Surf and Sand Nursing Home at 2:00 P.M. Tuesday, June 7.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## PENTECOST

Both Hebrew and Greek use the same words for "wind" and "spirit." That is appropriate. Both come and go in mystery. Neither is visible. Both are seen only in their effects, as when wind fills our sail or a storm possesses a questing mind. Neither can be summoned or controlled. When they come, both bring power, as when a windmill turns or a storm finds integrating love. Both disturb yet create. Storms unite strangers to work to avert the wind's threat. And from a diverse crowd, the Holy Spirit creates a People of God, joined in repentance and empowered in faith.

## EMPOWERMENT AND YOU!

Some wise sage once said that a long journey must begin with a single step. Relate this idea to the entire Christian enterprise, the world-embracing mission of Christ's people, and you could say that, in a sense, each aspect of it must begin with a single person. And that person can be you!

Empowered by God's own spirit, even one person can make the difference which changes the direction of a congregation's life, shifts the concern from self-service to service of others. It's true! That one spirit-filled person, perhaps you, can—by concern, participation, and leadership—provide the spark which ignites the hopes, dreams, and determination of an entire congregation.

In similar fashion, God's own spirit can empower even one congregation, make it vitally alive to mission, to concern for the needs of others, and a whole association or conference of churches can catch that spirit and become empowered to greater faithfulness and greater service in Christ's name. In similar fashion, God's ever-renewing spirit can use the enthusiasm of a single U.C.C. conference to set off a kind of chain reaction which can affect the entire United Church of Christ and ultimately the entire world-wide Christian enterprise, Christ's Church.

If the church is really to be empowered by God to change lives, to change history, that empowerment must take place in specific instances. It must happen somewhere, perhaps in your own city, town, or village. It must happen sometime, perhaps even today. It must occur with someone, perhaps you! Are you open to God's empowerment?

Father

Son

Spirit



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
(A United Church of Christ)  
Duluth, Minnesota

TRINITY SUNDAY

Worship with Communion

June 5, 1977

Service of the Word

10:30

PRELUDE "Let Us Break Bread Together" Dale

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 251

\*CALL TO PRAISE

Minister: The Lord is with us.  
People: He is with us indeed.

Minister: Let us celebrate his coming.

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of righteousness and truth, we admit to you  
and to one another that we often choose the  
wrong in preference to the right. The spirit of  
sacrificial love revealed in our Lord is fre-  
quently absent from our living. Many times we  
are long on pride and self-indulgence and short  
on courage and faithfulness. As we begin our  
worship, we ask your forgiveness and your in-  
spiration. Through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

Samuel F. Atkins

II Corinthians 3:12

"The Presence of Christ"

PRAYER AND CHORAL RESPONSE

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY - Conference Report

Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

We welcome visitors and invite you to join us for  
the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service in  
the adjoining room. Betty Crowell is hostess today.  
A nursery is provided during the service with child  
care for small children and infants.

Starting next Sunday we shall be on the summer time  
schedule with the service starting at 9:30 a.m.

Members for the month of June: Patrick Smith, cap-  
tain, Robert E. Heller, Robert W. Johnson, Nancy  
Johnson, L. R. Sewell, Christine Underdahl.

The Junior Hi Picnic is scheduled for fall instead  
of today.

The Sunrise Bible Study Group continues to meet at  
6:45 a.m. at The Lemon Tree each Tuesday.

The Board of Christian Education will meet at  
7:30 Tuesday evening at Elsie Jean Austin's, 3800  
London Road.

Softball Thursday evenings at 7:00 behind East  
High School.

BREAD FOR THE WORLD is sponsoring a meeting 7:30  
to 9:00 tomorrow evening at First Methodist Church  
auditorium. Joel Underwood will speak on "U. S.  
Food and Farm Policy as it Affects the World Food  
Crisis." A question and answer period over coffee  
follows. Joel Underwood is National Director of  
Church Relations for BREAD FOR THE WORLD. He is a  
Methodist minister who, with his wife, spent four  
years as a missionary in and near Calcutta. He  
has also served as Executive Director of IDOC-North  
America, a documentation and publishing program on  
Third World issues. This is an opportunity to meet  
others who share your concern and to find out how  
you can respond to this major world issue. There  
is no charge. Everyone is welcome.



Service of the Upper Room

OFFERING  
Offerory Anthem "Take, Believe" Wetzler  
\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication

THE PEACE (Shake hands with your neighbors and wish them "Shalom")

HYMN 318 "Draw Thou My Soul, O Christ"  
(congregation seated)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Minister: Beloved, this is the joyful feast of the people of God.  
Come and gather about the table of the Lord.

People: Behold how pleasant and good it is when brothers and sisters dwell in unity.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is good that we do.

CHORAL SANCTUS

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

concluding with the Lord's Prayer in unison.

THE COMMUNION

Worshipers will come forward in groups as guided by the Diaconate. Each group will be dismissed with the words, "Go in peace." The deacons will be glad to serve persons in the pews.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN 202 "Jesus Shall Reign Wher'er the Sun"

BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE "Vater Unser im Himmelreich" Schneider

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Christ's peace grants us no license to ignore the hurts and needs of our world. It does not allow us to be complacent at the same time we consent to the injustices that blight a large portion of the world's people today. The peace of Christ is found in the healing that comes with forgiveness. It sends us into the world's turbulent life, equipped with courage for doing God's work. Christ's peace is known as power—the power of the Holy Spirit to move human history toward God's coming reign in justice and love. What strange and wonderful peace!

## TRINITY SUNDAY

On this Sunday, for more than a thousand years, Christians have been celebrating belief in the trinity of God. In many churches today, the Sunday that runs between Pentecost and Advent are observed as the "Sunday after Trinity."

In spite of this, the idea of God's trinity is hard for many Christians to grasp. The modern mind has lost the medieval inclination to see mystery in symbolism in numbers: 1 (unity and divinity), 3 (representing the supreme power), 7 (signifying the human union of body and soul), 10 (denoting perfection), 40 (a good round number, specifying long periods of existence or endurance), etc. The popular mind-set of our time has not yet caught up with the post-Newtonian mathematics that liberated science from the mechanical a reading of reality. In our culture, the common outlook tends to be fact-tied.

The doctrine of the Trinity, even so, can be a useful way to interpret our experience of God. It is a valid belief-response to the God who creates the world and gives life to all creatures in it; who comes incarnate in the life, death, and present life of Jesus; and who, in the action of the Holy Spirit, creates the church and empowers our spirits. In the Biblical records of Creation/Exodus, Christmas/Easter, and Pentecost—these encounters with humans with the divine inspire faith in God as Maker, as Liberator, Redeemer, and as Empowerer—faith in God known as the Three-fold God.

Rev. George S. Siudy, Jr.  
Stewardship Council  
United Church of Christ

# AY THE WORD...





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINN.  
(A United Church of Christ)  
Order of Worship

June 12, 1977

PRELUDE Praeludium in E Dur

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN 6

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER

\*GLORIA PATRI

"O Worship the King"  
Selection 75, page 520

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In unison)

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts; cleanse us, we beseech you, from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires; that with lowliness and meekness we may draw near to you; confess our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and our strength, through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC--Clifford Iverson, soloist  
"At the River"

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY - Conference Report  
Dr. Keith Fawcett and Ramon Stevens  
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\*HYMN 85 "I to the Hills Will Lift Mine Eyes"

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

Laura Lamb  
"Why Get Married"

Luke 14:25-35

Dr. Shepard

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

"All Good Gifts" Schwartz

OFFERTORY

Offertory Solo

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

"Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing"

BENEDICTION

Psalm XIX

Marcello

POSTLUDE

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Nursery, including a crib room, is provided for infants and toddlers on the basement level near the back entrance.

Welcome to our visitors. We invite you to join us for the coffee fellowship after the service and to register in our guest book in the front vestibule.

The flowers this morning are given by Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee in memory of her mother, Helen B. Fawcett.

There is still time to register for the Bible Study retreat this Friday and Saturday. See Elsie Jean Austin for details.

Meetings on Tuesday: 10:30 a.m. Bazaar Sewing  
12:00 noon Trustees  
7:30 p.m. Diaconate

Brotherly Belt will be on vacation this week and next.

Softball continues on Thursday evenings at 7:00 behind East High School. On June 23 the Pilgrim group will play a mixed team from St. Paul's Episcopal.

IN MEMORIAM

Ruth Alta Rogers  
a member since May 1919

Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Jesus treated outsiders in an unusual way. He healed a centurion's servant, although the centurion was part of an alien army. In spite of contempt for Samaritans, Jesus befriended a Samaritan woman at Sychar. Zaccheus was a hated tax-collector, his wealth extorted from the people. Yet, Jesus went to his house for dinner. The woman caught in adultery had no legal claim to mercy and respect, but Jesus championed her right to them. These were alien, outcast people. Jesus made them his friends. He does that with us and asks us to do that with others.

### "THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS..."

"Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love!" The words of the morning folk-song haunt me. Too many times—with varying success—we are showing our love for our families and close friends. We even manage to find time to show our love to fellow members in our congregations. But seldom do we really show our love and concern in a personal way to strangers. Yet we can. And through our congregations, we do!

The M Power program of the United Church of Christ is the most intensive and extensive effort ever undertaken in our denomination to show love toward one another and toward all God's people by increased participation in and support of the total work of the church. M Power is an effort to empower the local church in its own ministries to its members and the community while at the same time strengthening its share in the mission through the conference and the national agencies of the United Church of Christ.

When you are asked to respond to the M Power challenge, remember that this is one way in which you can show your love, show it in deeds as well as words to others within your own congregation, and beyond.

Rev. Charles W. Cooper, Jr.  
Stewardship Council  
United Church of Christ

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST CHRISTIANITY

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## Paul's of divine origin

By Paul of Tarsus  
Staff Correspondent

For I would have you know, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers.

But when he who had set

# GOD VISITS PEOPLE!

### Gospel News Services

Soon afterward he went to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him.

As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her.

And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep."

And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise."

And the dead man sat up, and began to speak.

And he gave him to his mother.

"He seized them all; and glorified God, saying, 'That prophet has arisen among us!' and 'God has raised up his people!'"

And he said to her, "Give your son!"

And he took him from her bosom, and carried him up into the upper chamber, where he lodged, and laid him upon his own bed.

And he cried to the Lord, "O Lord my God, hast thou brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by slaying her son?" Then he stretched himself upon the child three times, and cried to the Lord, "O Lord my God, let this child's soul come into him again."

And the Lord hearkened to the voice of Elijah; and the soul of the child came into him again, and he revived.

And Elijah took the child, and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house, and delivered him to his mother; and Elijah said, "See, your son lives."

And the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the Lord is truth."

June 12, 1977  
Lutheran  
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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
2310 East Fourth Street  
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June 19, 1977

Order of Worship

ORGAN PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN No. 246

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER

\*GLORIA PATRI

"Come, Thou Almighty King"  
Selection 101, page 535

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In unison)

Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have promised to receive us when we come to you.  
We confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed. We have disobeyed  
your law. We have not loved you or our neighbor  
as we should. Forgive us, O God, and grant that  
we may live and serve you in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you.

\*HYMN No. 227

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

"Fairest Lord Jesus"  
"Beautiful Extravagance"

Mark 14:1-9

Dr. Shepard

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PRAYER

OFFERING

HYMN 405

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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infants and toddlers on the basement level near  
the back entrance.

Welcome to our visitors. We invite you to join us  
for the coffee fellowship after the service.  
Please register in the guest book in the vestibule.

The flowers this morning are given by Mrs. R. B.  
Egner in memory of her father, George M. Macaulay.

The Sunrise Bible Study Group will meet at 6:45 a.m.  
Tuesday at the Lemon Tree.

The Women's Fellowship Advisory Board will meet at  
10:30 Wednesday morning in the small dining room.

The Novel Reading Group will meet in the parlor at  
7:30 Wednesday evening.

Softball continues at 7:00 p.m. Thursdays behind  
East High School. This Thursday the Pilgrim group  
will play a mixed team from St. Paul's Episcopal  
Church.

The church secretary will be on vacation this week.

A copy of the confirmation picture is on the front  
desk in the office for those who wish to order one.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Missie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



### THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

A poor widow in Zarephath loses her son to death. Elijah hears the news, comes, and revives the boy. In her old age, a great lady of Shunem bears a son who later dies in her lap. She sends for Elisha. He comes, prays to God, who restores life to the lad. The only son of a widow in Jericho dies. On the way to bury the boy, the funeral party meets Jesus, whose son goes out to the aggrieved woman. He touches the bier and calls the son back from death. By three prophets, Elijah, Elisha, and Jesus, God visits these women, restores life, renews joy and hope.

### OURS IS A RESPONSIVE CHURCH

Two years ago, the General Synod called upon members, congregations, conferences, and agencies of the United Church of Christ to work on a number of priorities. The response?

The U.C.C. Advisory Commission on Women in Church and Society is at work. Increasing numbers of women are helping to shape and lead the work of our denomination.

More than \$150,000 has been channeled by members of the U.C.C. through our Hunger Action Fund for education and action in meeting the needs of hungry people at home and abroad.

Men and women of every ethnic background have been helped to rethink the meaning of evangelism for today in terms of word and deed, and local churches have been strengthened by their concern and action.

Conferences of the U.C.C., working with the Stewardship Council, have engaged in the M Power program, which seeks to increase church giving by \$15 million in 1977 over 1976 and in 1978 over 1977 for the local, national, and global ministries of our churches.

The new Office for Church in Society, together with conferences and other national agencies, is helping to increase the awareness of U.C.C. people to issues of racial and economic injustice in our society, and helping them to work for more adequate income, health care, food distribution, employment, education, and housing.

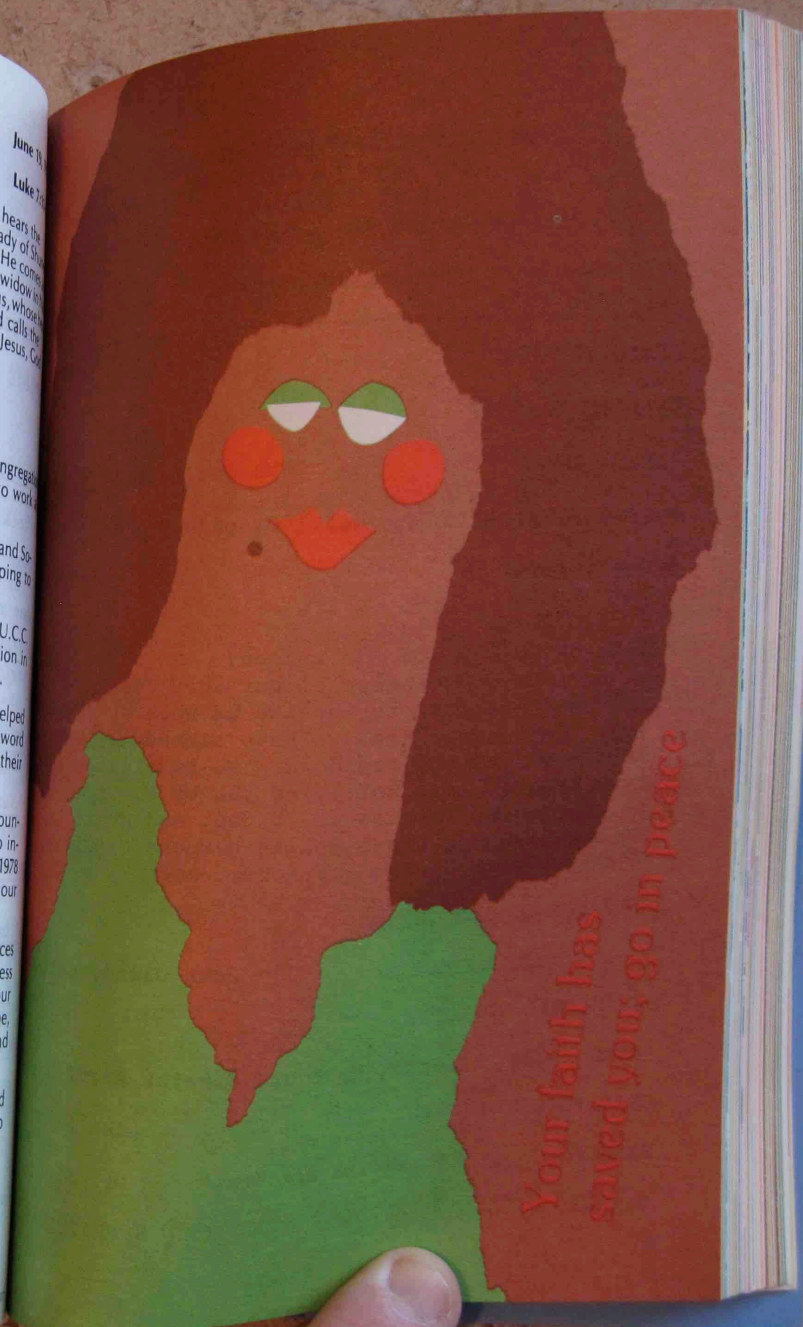
New attention is being paid to the issues of criminal justice and penal reform, to the development of a Christian lifestyle, and to ecology.

Yes, ours has been—and is—a responsive church!

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST CHRIST

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June 18  
Luke 7:11-17





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
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June 26, 1977

Order of Worship

ORGAN PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN 22

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 100, page 534

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In unison)  
Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have promised to receive us when we come to  
you. We confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed. We have disobeyed  
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we may live and serve you in newness of life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

\*HYMN 362

"Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve"  
SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

"The God's Eye View"  
PRAYER

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

9:30 A.M.

OFFERING  
Offeratory Solo  
\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication

"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

\*HYMN 345

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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A nursery, including a crib room, is provided for  
infants and toddlers on the basement level near  
the back entrance.

Welcome to our visitors. We invite you to join  
us for the coffee fellowship after the service.

The Sunrise Bible Study Group will meet at 6:45  
a.m. on Tuesday at the Lemon Tree.

The Novel Reading Group will meet at 8:00 p.m.  
on Wednesday in the parlor.

Dr. Shepard will be on vacation during the month  
of July. The guest preacher next Sunday will be  
Mr. John W. Hawley, Coordinator of CHUM.

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#### FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The woman who washed Jesus' feet with her tears and dried them with her hair is too complex for analysis in eight lines on a bulletin. The story gives us a delightful portrait of her on the cover. Luke's story depicts her vividly. But Simon's preoccupation with the woman's morals is so narrow that he misses her subtleties—a soul virtuous beyond virtues, a loving heart, notwithstanding her corruption of love, a spirit forgiven those who are sinful. Jesus looks into the woman's core and judges her worth from the perspective of God's incredibly gracious love.

#### GENERAL SYNOD ELEVEN

The Eleventh General Synod of the United Church of Christ meets this week in our nation's capital. Approximately 700 delegates from our churches will deliberate the church's fitting response to the issues as: women in church and society, world hunger, the aging population and human sexuality. The delegates will scrutinize the work of the denomination and determine priorities for the coming biennium. Among the many heavy responsibilities will be that of electing a president of the United Church of Christ. Dr. Joseph H. Evans has served as President since the death of Dr. Robert V. Moss last fall.

In keeping with our polity, the Synod will speak only for itself, both to our congregations and members of the United Church of Christ and to the nation and to the world at large. By their own actions, conferences and congregations of the U.C.C. will confirm or challenge the Synod's stance. The General Synod's authority—except over national work which it organizes—is only that which is inherent in its persuasiveness.

Pray that the delegates to General Synod Eleven may deliberate with wisdom and may rightly reflect the constituencies whom they are called to represent. Then, hold yourself open to hear what God may be saying to our churches through their mediation. It's the United Church way!

June 26  
Luke 7:36-50

for you are  
all one  
in Christ Jesus



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINN.  
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Order of Worship

July 3, 1977

PRELUDE Variations on "America" 9:30 A.M.

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN 433

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER

\*GLORIA PATRI

"God of Our Father"  
Selection 85, page 526

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)  
Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

you have promised to receive us when we come to you. We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have disobeyed your law. We have not loved you or our neighbor as we should. Forgive us, O God, and grant that we may live and serve you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

\*HYMN 341

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

PRAYER

OFFERING

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*HYMN 494

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

"We Would Be Building"  
Variation on "America"

Beethoven

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome Mr. John W. Hawley as our guest preacher this morning. Mr. Hawley is Coordinator of CHUM (Central Hillside United Ministry). Assisting as Organist is Mr. Robert E. Heller.  
We are grateful to Faith Rutford for substituting for Ray Baker today.

Service is being held in Fellowship Hall since the sanctuary is full of scaffolding and painting equipment.

Nursery, including a crib room, is provided for infants and toddlers near the back entrance.

Welcome to visitors! We invite you to join us for the coffee fellowship after the service and to register in the guestbook.

Shepard is on vacation during the month of July. Next Sunday the Rev. Norbert Mokros, Director of the Twin Ports Ministry to Seafarers, will be the guest preacher.

The church office will be open during the morning only during the summer.

Daily devotional booklets for July-August are now available on the card table in the alcove.

Copies of a small book of poetry written by Dr. Shepard called DULUTH, ADVENT TO EASTER, may be purchased in the church office for \$2.00.

The Sunrise Bible Study Group will NOT meet this week but will meet on the 12th.

IN MEMORIAM

Velma K. Pietila  
a member since December 1956

Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Two features of the common life require our attention as Protestants who are citizens of the United States. As Christians, we owe our highest loyalty to God, who requires us to call the nation away from idolatry, the abuse of power, and the perpetration of injustice. As citizens, we share the "chorus of memory" that, says Abraham Lincoln, constitute the "chorus of the Union." Within and beyond our nation and church, we believe all people to have one Parent who calls us to live as members of one divinely created household.

### "AMERICA, LOVE IT AND MAKE IT BETTER"

One definition of patriotism which was popular a decade ago was "America, love it or leave it!" A far better definition—from a Christian point of view—is "America, love it and make it better!" In this post-Watergate era, most of us agree that while the United States of America is a country—right or wrong, in war or in peace—we, its citizens, have a given responsibility to make America better than when we inherited it from our forebears, a better place to live for all people.

Our nation has importance insofar as it provides the freedom and opportunity for individuals, families, and communities to reach the highest potential of joy, creativity, health, and love. As we seek to achieve such national goals, we are often confronted by forces which would compromise on such matters as justice in the courts, racial equality, adequate housing, police brutality, the rights of women, and many others. Let us compromise, however, divert us this Independence Day from our goal. Let us love America . . . then vow to make it better!

Rev. Charles W. Cooper, Jr.  
Stewardship Council  
United Church of Christ

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you were  
called to  
freedom





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINN.  
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Order of Worship

July 10, 1977

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN 8

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"  
\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 70, page 518

\*GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In unison)

Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you have promised to receive us when we come to you. We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have disobeyed your law. We have not loved you or our neighbors as we should. Forgive us, O God, and grant that we may live and serve you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

\*HYMN 418

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

PRAYER

OFFERING

Offertory Solo  
\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication

\*HYMN 228

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Linda Polzin, soloist

"O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"

"A Priceless Gift"

Acts 3:1-11

Mr. Mokros

THE LORD'S PRAYER

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

We welcome the Reverend Norbert W. W. Mokros, Executive Director of the Twin Ports Ministry to our members, as our guest preacher today.

Next Sunday Pilgrim Church member Dr. Joseph H. Avery will give the sermon.

The flowers this morning are given in memory of Mr. W. D. Avery by members of her family.

A cordial welcome to visitors! We invite you to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service and to register in the guestbook on the table in the alcove.

A nursery, including a crib room, is provided for infants and toddlers near the back entrance.

The painting in the sanctuary was completed too late to make it possible to hold the service there today.

Dr. Shepard is on vacation this month. The church office is open mornings only. However, Elsie Jean Austin may be called at the church or at home at any time.

The Sunrise Bible Study Group will meet at 6:45 Tuesday morning at the Lemon Tree.

Copies of The Upper Room, These Days, and Family Devotions for July-August are on the card table in the alcove. Copies of a small book of poetry written by Dr. Shepard called DULUTH, ADVENT TO EASTER, are also on the table and may be purchased for \$2.00.

Congregation standing.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



# SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

"Free from the Law! O happy condition! I can sin as I please. And remission." The old jingle obviously caricatures Christian freedom live in the forgiving love of God does not mean that we can do as we please and get away with it. Liberated Christians do more, not less, than requires—and delight in doing it. They find ways of loving that unite and joy with willing self-restraint. Far from being self-centered dualists, they voluntarily and gladly bind themselves to others in service and in the service of Love.

## YOU ARE THERE WITH TOTS AND TRACTORS

Togo, West Africa: a developing nation of over two million people of them farmers, most of them poor. You are there through the mission presence of Jim and Jean Winter.

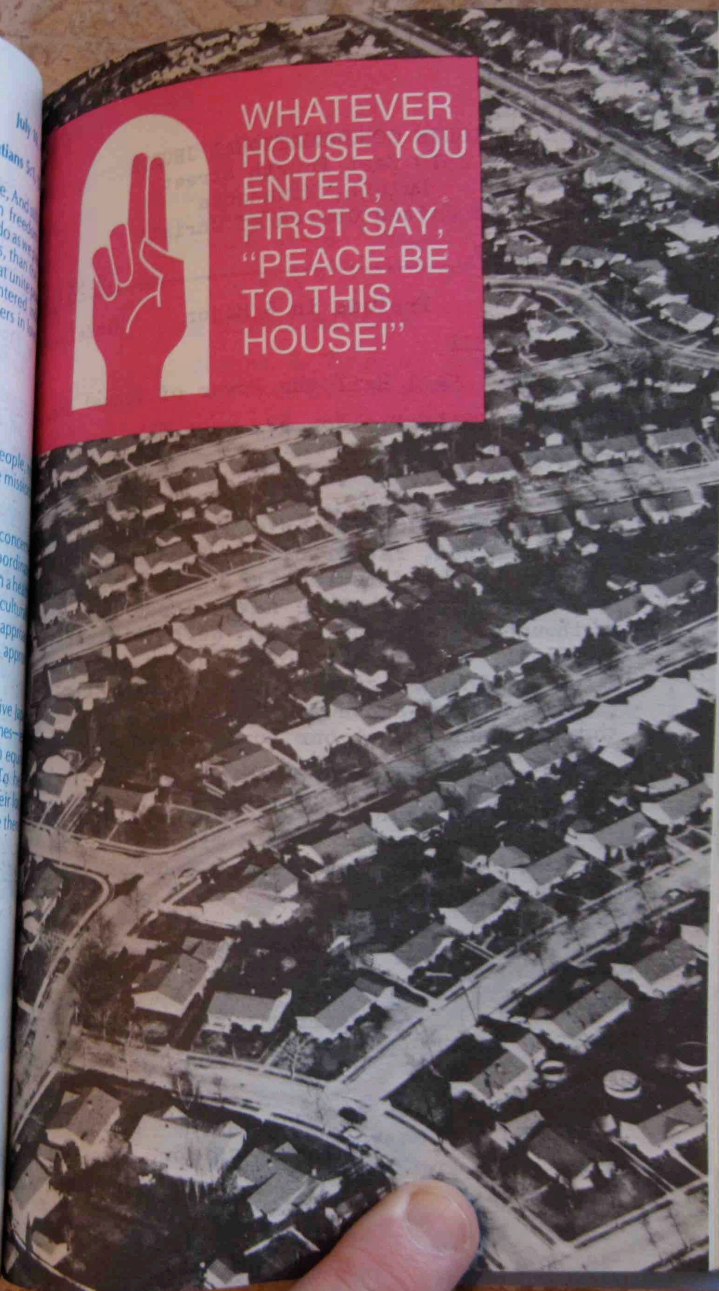
The Winters have lived nearly a decade in Togo, where Jean, concerned with public health, works with Under-Five-Clinics which are coordinated there by Catholic Relief Services. Giving young Togolese children a head start in life is the goal of this worthwhile program. Jim, an agriculturalist with both an agricultural degree and a practical, common-sense approach to farming, serves as an extension worker in a territory which is approximately the size of the State of Delaware.

Over the past several years, Jim has introduced small, inexpensive Japanese-built tractors to farmers of this region. Despite their low incomes—less than \$500 per year—the Togolese farmers can afford to own such equipment cooperatively and thus can improve their productivity. To help farmers become fully self-supporting and to help them improve their lives is Jim's aim—all in the name of Christian service and witness. You are there

Galatians 5:22-23



WHATEVER  
HOUSE YOU  
ENTER,  
FIRST SAY,  
"PEACE BE  
TO THIS  
HOUSE!"





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July 17, 1977

PRELUDE

Prelude in G Major

9:30 A.M.

Mendelssohn

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN 195

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER

No. 62, page 515

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (In unison)

Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, you have promised to receive us when we come to you. We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have disobeyed your law. We have not loved you or our neighbor as we should. Forgive us, O God, and grant that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

Sonata No. 1 in B minor

Second movement: largo e dolce

Frances Leek, Flute

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

\*HYMN 246

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

PRAYER

OFFERING

Offertory

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

\*HYMN 7

"The Fourth Phase"

THE LORD'S PRAYER

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only"

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only"

BENEDICTION  
POSTLUDE

Rondo (allegretto) from  
Concerto No. 5 in D Major  
Carolyn Leek, violin

Seitz

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OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

We welcome Dr. Joseph H. Leek as guest preacher today. Dr. Ellis Livingston, chairman of the Diocese, is the liturgist.

Our thanks to Frances Leek, flute, and Carolyn Leek, violin, for the music this morning.

Next Sunday the Reverend David R. Plumb, associate minister at Mayflower Community Congregational Church in Minneapolis, will be the guest preacher. We are looking forward to having a former member of Pilgrim Church, the son of Gen and Val Plumb, with us.

A nursery, including a crib room, is provided for infants and toddlers on the basement level near the back entrance.

Welcome to visitors! Please join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship following the service and register in the guestbook by the main front entrance.

The Sunrise Bible Study Group will meet at 6:45 Tuesday morning at the Lemon Tree.

There will be sewing for the bazaar at 10:30 Tuesday morning in the small dining room.

The church office is open mornings only. However, Miss Jean Austin may be called at any time at the church or at home (525-1813).

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Miss Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



# SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Urgency marked Jesus' training of the Seventy who were to prepare him in towns where soon he was to come. Their mission was important, required them to get going at once, travel light, waste no time in small ways. The situation of townspeople, too, was urgent. If they were to have the health God intended, escape severe judgment, and enter God's realm of justice and joy, they must be found to be daughters and sons of God's peace, open to the Christ who comes with saving peace and offer to our hearts, our homes, and our world.

## U.C.C. MISSIONARY DOCTOR PIONEERS NEW OPERATION

Ronald and Edith Seaton serve in India as missionaries jointly appointed by the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), the United Presbyterian Church, and the United Church Board for World Ministries, the first that the three denominations have ever joined in making a mission appointment together. The Seatons are helping to initiate a program training village pastors, elders, and others to serve as basic health workers to give more effective health services to their communities.

Dr. Seaton, while serving at St. Luke's Hospital in Vengurla, India, prior to his present work assignment, pioneered a new tubectomy operation which does not require an abdominal incision, as a means of birth control. Women, he discovered, are much more willing to have this kind of operation than the usual procedure which does require an abdominal incision. The new operation can be performed in only fifteen minutes and is practically painless. The patient needs to stay in the hospital only overnight. This new operation is a real contribution to family planning in popular India.

THE WORD is very near you





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINN.  
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July 24, 1977

Order of Worship

- PRELUDE Fantasia and Chromatic Fugue 9:30 a.m. Pachelbel  
CALL TO WORSHIP  
\*HYMN 19 "Praise the Lord, His Glories Shout"  
\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 96, page 531 (Psalm 103)  
\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have promised to receive us when we come to you.  
We confess that we have sinned against you in thought,  
word, and deed. We have disobeyed your law. We have not loved you or our neighbor as we should.  
Forgive us, O God, and grant that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Rise Up, My Heart, with Gladness" Linda Tall

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

\*HYMN 383

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

PRAYER

OFFERING

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*HYMN 481

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Forward Through the Ages" I Corinthians 2:14  
"Sorry About That, Mother Hillis" THE LORD'S PRAYER  
"Lord, To Thee I Lift My Soul" Viv  
"I Sing a Song of the Saints of God"  
Toccata and Fugue in D Minor Pachelbel

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

We welcome the Reverend David R. Plumb to the pulpit today. Mr. Plumb is Associate Minister of the Holyflower Church in Minneapolis. He is also the son of Val and Gen Plumb and grew up in Duluth and Pilgrim Church.

Next Sunday the guest preacher will be the Reverend Kenneth Ulmer of Biwabik who was formerly minister of our church in Grand Marais.

Welcome to visitors. We invite you to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship in the adjoining room after the service and to register in the guestbook in the main front vestibule.

A Nursery, including a crib room, is provided for infants and toddlers on the basement level near the back entrance.

The church office is open mornings only. However, Elsie Jean Austin may be called at any time at the church or at home (525-1813).

The Sunrise Bible Study Group continues to meet at 6:45 a.m. Tuesdays at the Lemon Tree.

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"The fact that God is greater than anything we can understand, that His Being is a mystery which we can never fathom, that all begins and ends in mystery, suggests the richness and wonder of the Being of God."

As we gaze upwards into that Bright Cloud of Unknowing, we worship the Mystery of God with a kind of delighted ignorance. For if we could comprehend God, He would be God no longer."

Olive Wyon

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist Choir Director



# EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Israel's prophet cried, "Truly thou art a God who hidest thyself." Life: is it too obscure for human discerning? It is not. We see God in Exodus, the covenant God makes with the people of God, the rise of nations, the life of Jesus, and the work of the Holy Spirit. God's law is too perfect for human obedience? It is not. God's law is written in the structure of our hearts, constitutes our very selfhood. God's word is intimate as our souls, as near as the nearest neighbor. That word is our reach—"ready to be kept."

## RESPONDING TO LEBANON'S AGONY

Through most of the past two years, fighting has taken place in Lebanon not only in the capital, Beirut, but also elsewhere.

In the city of Tripoli, the Greek Orthodox Archbishop, Rev. Elias Kuri, has headed ecumenical relief efforts which serve both Christian and Muslim people. On one occasion, after making his way to Cyprus by sea, he reported to Middle East Council of Churches officials that district villages had been all but wiped out and 35,000 of their inhabitants crowded into Tripoli. Water, food, electricity and gasoline were all rationed, and some foodstuffs, especially powdered milk, were in a very short supply. The Council responded with aid.

The Middle East Council has been the channel for aid from both the World Council of Churches and from Church World Service in the United States. In addition to sending immediate relief supplies, the Council has also planned for long-term reconstruction and rehabilitation. Plans call for medical services, low-cost housing, a variety of self-help projects, special rehabilitation programs for the handicapped, and pilot-project educational programs addressing the needs of post-war Lebanon.

Your contributions to the annual One Great Hour of Sharing and general fund which have been specifically directed for Lebanon help to make these responses to Lebanon's agony!

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Deuteronomy 30:1-10

July 24, 1977  
Days  
\$5.00  
Jeff's shirt  
uniform

Jeff's Tickets  
for Phoenix  
South Western Airlines

Gifts for Aunt Helen

SEE  
THELMA

Cereal - sugar  
milk - hamburger - beans  
tomatoes - light bulbs

Call Ann

Pickup auto  
at 8:30

3:45 Pickup kids at school  
4:00 Dentist - Jimmie  
4:15 Piano lessons

Bridge Club - Thurs - bring home  
Remind Jan about Scrubs! Tue

Check

ONE  
THING  
IS  
NEEDFUL

Guid meeting  
Wed. 7:00 P.M.

Lodge meeting  
Family Sat. 8:15

Book Club  
Return

Skipping

Clean base man  
Mare

Yatama  
Restaurant

Call Bob

Check on lawn

Mr. Garden Center  
2nd - 9th



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
2310 East Fourth Street  
Duluth, Minnesota  
(A United Church of Christ)

July 31, 1977

PRELUDE Sonata Op. 2, no. 2  
in D Minor

Benedetto Marcello  
1686-1739

9:30 a.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN 366

"God of Grace and God of Glory"  
No. 93, page 530

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Gracious God, Creator and Father, we come before you a rebellious people. We have denied your intentions for us; we have preferred our way to Christ's way; we have disobeyed your commandments; and we have worshiped ourselves and the things we have made. Forgive us, restore in us the knowledge of who we are, and make us alive to serve you in faith, obedience, and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Nun bitten wir"

William van Druten  
Dietrich Buxtehude 1657-1707

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

\*HYMN 266

SCRIPTURE READING

"One Holy Church of God Appears"  
Gertrude Jacobson  
"So Little for Too Much"

SERMON

PRAYER

OFFERING

Offertory  
\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Buxtehude

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

Prelude in G Major

Bach

\* \* \* \* \*

We welcome to the pulpit today the Reverend Kenneth Ulmer of Biwabik who is a member of the Executive Council of the United Church of Christ.

Welcome to visitors. We invite you to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship in the adjoining room after the service and to register in the guestbook in the main front vestibule.

A nursery, including a crib room, is provided for infants and toddlers on the basement level near the back entrance.

Dr. Shepard will be back next Sunday. There will be a communion service. This week Dr. Shepard is at the Minnesota Conference Family Camp as a resource leader.

The pads at the end of each pew are for use every Sunday. Write your name on the pad and pass it on to your neighbor. Whoever is at the other end should send it back so you can all see who is in your pew.

Sunrise Bible Study Group at 6:45 Tuesday morning at the Lemon Tree.

Tuesday morning at 10:30 come to the small dining room and join others for work on items for the fallazaar.

Best wishes to Lisa Shefchik and Robert Pratt who were married Saturday, July 23 in Pilgrim Church.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Martha was distracted. Literally, the word means "drawn away." Nothing is worth that—being drawn away from what is at the core of our lives. Even such laudable service as Martha's, scurrying about the kitchen, when she is exhausted, irritated, and out of patience with her sister. There is, of course, a time to serve others. The story of the Good Samaritan says so. There is also a time for being strengthened and illuminated. This "acted-out parable" reminds us of this good portion and points us to our need for that "one thing" more.

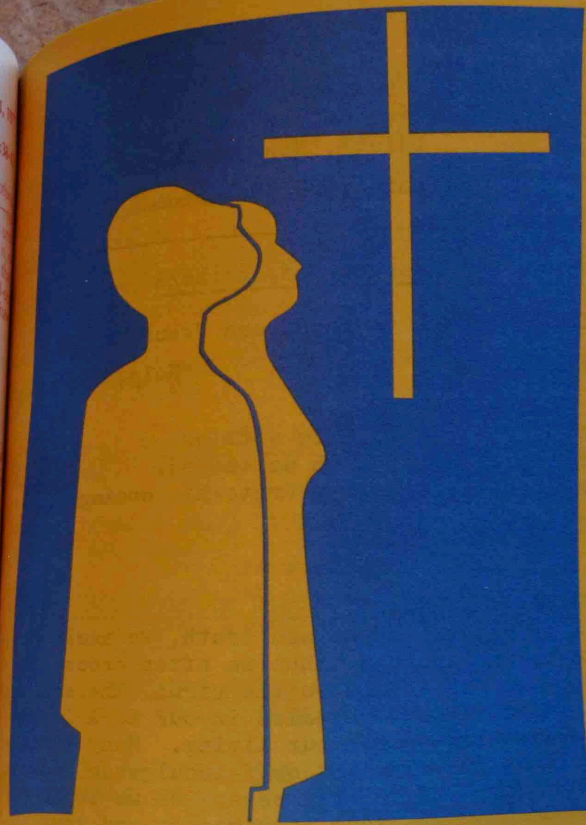
### STUMPING TREES AND FEEDING CHICKENS

Ken and Betty Frank write from Kafue, Zambia, a Southern Africa mission field, where the United Church Board for World Ministries has been active for less than a dozen years, that a major need there is food production. "For too long," they note, "Zambia has been needlessly importing foodstuffs and living off the profits of its copper industry instead of intensifying agricultural efforts."

At the Kafue Secondary School, where Ken and Betty teach, faculty and students have joined in a school-wide effort to grow maize and vegetables to raise poultry, rabbits, and pigs, and to clear land in order to plant orchards. The students benefit by having an improved diet and also by learning that their agricultural manual labor is an honorable occupation. Quite a change from colonial days when any kind of manual labor was considered demeaning by the desk-bound, book-oriented schools.

It is good to find mission schools in the forefront of this kind of educational reform. It's like that in many places in today's world. Mission-sponsored education now includes stumping trees and feeding chickens!

July 31, 1977  
Luke 10:38-42



Father, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come. Give us  
each day our daily bread; and  
forgive us our sins, for we  
ourselves forgive every one  
who is indebted to us; and lead  
us not into temptation.



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
(A United Church of Christ)  
Duluth, Minnesota

Worship with Communion  
August 7, 1977

Service of the Word

9:30 A.M.

PRELUDE "I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ"  
\* HYMN 251

\*CALL TO PRAISE

Minister: The Lord is with us.  
People: He is with us indeed.

Minister: Let us celebrate his coming.

\*GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of righteousness and truth, we admit to you  
and to one another that we often choose the  
wrong in preference to the right. The spirit of  
sacrificial love revealed in our Lord is fre-  
quently absent from our living. Many times we  
are long on pride and self-indulgence and short  
on courage and faithfulness. As we begin our  
worship, we ask your forgiveness and your in-  
spiration. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

PRAYER

"My Body"

Dr. Shepard

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you.

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

We welcome visitors. You are invited to join us  
for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service  
in the adjoining room.

A nursery, including a crib room, is provided  
for infants and toddlers on the basement level  
near the back entrance.

The organist today is Faith Rutford. Linda Tal-  
bot is the soloist.

The pads at the end of each pew are for use  
every Sunday. Write your name on the pad and  
pass it on to your neighbor. Whoever is at the  
other end should send it back so you may all see  
who is in your pew.

Sunrise Bible Study Group at 6:45 Tuesday morn-  
ing at the Lemon Tree.

The Novel Reading Group is scheduled to meet at  
7:30 Thursday evening, August 18, in the parlor.

Check your Pilgrim News each month for informa-  
tion on coming events.



Service of the Upper Room

ENTERING  
Offering Solo "Prayer" Hugo Wolf  
\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication

THE PEACE (Shake hands with your neighbors and wish them "Shalom")

HYMN 290 "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"  
(congregation seated)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Minister: Beloved, this is the joyful feast of the people of God.  
Come and gather about the table of the Lord.

People: Behold how pleasant and good it is when brothers and sisters dwell in unity.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is good that we do.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

concluding with the Lord's Prayer in unison.

THE COMMUNION

Worshipers will come forward in groups as guided by the Diaconate. Each group will be dismissed with the words, "Go in peace." The deacons will be glad to serve persons in the pews.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN 202 "Jesus Shall Reign Wher'er the Sun"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

In how many places and tongues have Christians said the Lord's Prayer. Truly it is a prayer that belongs to us. Even more, it is truly the Lord's prayer. Each petition is autobiography. Jesus knows unique kinship with God. When the heavenly rule comes, the divine will is done in Jesus. He trusts God's providence, makes bread a sign of self-giving, offers himself as the Bread of Heaven. Forgiveness flows from Jesus' cross, a healing, reconciling stream. In our struggles with trouble and sin, his triumph over the Tempter enables us to win our victory.

### IN RECOGNITION OF GOD'S GIFT

Recognizing that the earth and the fullness thereof is a gift from our gracious God, and that we are called to cherish, nurture, and provide loving stewardship for the earth's resources, and recognizing that life itself is a gift, and a call to responsibility, joy and celebration, I make the following declarations:

- 1) I declare myself to be a world citizen.
- 2) I commit myself to lead an ecologically sound life.
- 3) I commit myself to lead a life of creative simplicity and to share my personal wealth with the world's poor.
- 4) I commit myself to occupational accountability, and in doing so will seek to avoid the creation of products which cause harm to others.
- 5) I commit myself to join with others in reshaping institutions in order to bring about a more just global society in which each person has full access to the needed resources for their physical, emotional, intellectual, and spiritual growth.
- 6) I commit myself to examine continually my relations with others and to attempt to relate honestly, morally, and lovingly to those around me.
- 7) I commit myself to personal renewal through prayer, meditation, and study.
- 8) I commit myself to responsible participation in a community of faith.

The above statement will commend itself to all who believe that personal faith, social conscience, and simplicity of lifestyle, in a world of limited natural resources and a world of growing human need, are essential parts of a religious life that possesses integrity. This Pledge was developed and signed by a group of concerned persons, Protestant and Roman Catholic, at the Shakerstown Pledge Group, Kentucky. Further information may be secured by writing to the Shakerstown Pledge Group, West 44th St. and York Ave. S., Minneapolis, Minnesota, 55408. The Pledge is reprinted here for the joint use of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A., the Presbyterian Church, U.S., and the United Church of Christ.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST CHRISTUS

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do not  
lie to  
one  
another



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
2310 East Fourth Street  
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August 14, 1977

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN 402

"Jesus, Where'er Thy People Meet"

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 81, page 524

\*GLORIA PATRI

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UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION - from the new  
Book of Common Prayer (Episcopal)

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (page 498 in hymnal)  
Benjamin Bruce Fochs, born April 10, 1977

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you

\*HYMN 423 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life"

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 16:1-15

"Some People Don't Get Paid"  
SILENT PRAYER THE LORD'S PRAYER

SERMON

PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Offertory Solo

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

HYMN 391

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Be Thou My Vision"

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Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us  
for the coffee-koolaid fellowship in the adjoining  
room after the service.

A nursery, including a crib room, is provided  
for infants and toddlers on the basement level  
near the back entrance.

Best wishes to Ann Crowell and Larry Nyberg who  
were married Saturday, August 6 in Pilgrim Church.

Next Sunday's sermon will be "What We Learned  
from the New York Blackout".

The Sunrise Bible Study Group will meet at 6:45  
Tuesday morning at the Lemon Tree.

There will be sewing for the Bazaar at 10:30  
Tuesday morning in the small dining room.

The Youth Ministry Committee will meet in the  
Christian Education Office Thursday afternoon at  
4:00.

The Novel Reading Group will meet at 7:30 Thurs-  
day evening in the parlor to discuss Hemingway's  
The Old Man and the Sea.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

An old German proverb says that "lies have short legs." That adage gives a vivid picture of deceit: fat, short-limbed and short-winded, puffing and bouncing along, running from truth until, at last, truth overtakes them. "Do not lie to one another," Paul urges. The new nature Christ gives us is shown in your honesty with others. That honesty builds a trust that benefits everyone. It makes for stable and enduring relations between people in government, in business, in family life, and in the church. Truth is sweet and lasting. It has long legs!

### TWIN PORTS MINISTRY

By supporting the Twin Ports Ministry to Seamen in Duluth, Minnesota, dozens of church bodies are participating in a ministry to the world in the fullest sense of the term: the constituency of the Twin Ports Ministry is both worldwide and worldly. The ministry makes the church a presence in the cosmopolitan, multilingual harbor community: to crewmen in the port, to truck drivers, to port captains and ship agents, and to all the 85,000 seafarers who pass through the port each year.

In such a setting, the ministry stresses a person-to-person approach. Reverend Norbert Mokros and his staff board every ship that enters the Port of Duluth. He and his team are especially concerned to talk personally with all the seamen about their questions and problems and faith. And they are as happy to take men to worship in local congregations as to hold formal services on board.

A number of seamen have come to faith through this ministry. Two have entered the seminary. Two are working in similar waterfront ministries in other parts of the world. Twin Ports Ministry is a ministry in the heart of the continent that touches, quite directly, the entire world.

Rev. Lincoln Richardson  
The Synod of Lakes and Prairies  
United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.

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UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST CHRISTIANITY

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August 14  
Colossians 3:9-15

ABRAHAM...  
WENT OUT,  
NOT KNOWING  
WHERE HE  
WAS TO GO





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
2310 East Fourth Street  
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August 21, 1977

PRELUDE

Prelude

Norberto Guinane

SALUTATION

\*HYMN 22

\*CALL TO PRAISE

Minister: O Lord, open our lips.  
People: And our mouth shall show forth your praise.

Minister: Praise the Lord.  
People: The Lord's name be praised.

\*GLORIA PATRI

COLLECT

\* \* \*

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known, and from whom no secrets  
are hid; cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by  
the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we  
may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify  
your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC - Ruth Jacobson  
"Quia Respexit"  
Oboe, John Snow

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY  
Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you

\*HYMN 426

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

"The Voice of God Is Calling"  
Zephaniah 2:13-15

"What We Learned from the New York Blackout"  
PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND INTERCESSION

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

COMING

September 17 -

Workshop on the "Middle Years - Grow or Rot?"

October: First four Sundays

Four sessions on

"Heritage and Beliefs  
in the United Church of Christ"

Fliers for both workshops are on the table  
in Salter Hall.

The October sessions are significant in that  
1977 marks the 20th anniversary of the United  
Church of Christ. All officers, members and pro-  
spective members of the church are on the "expected"  
list - along with church school teachers.

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The Minnesota Alliance Against Racial and Political  
Repression has asked us to announce that a meet-  
ing will be held Monday evening at 7:00 at the Cen-  
tral Hillside Community Center, 8 East 4th Street,  
at which time the latest information about the Wil-  
lington Ten will be presented, and also a program  
concerning the boycott of the J.P. Stevens Textile  
Products.



OFFERTORY Solo "With Verdure Clad" Haydn  
DOXOLOGY  
PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
"Lead On, O King Eternal"

375  
DEDICATION  
Postlude Guinaldo

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We extend a cordial welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service in the adjoining room.

The flowers on the communion table today are given by Miss Dorothy Hornby in memory of her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Hornby.

A nursery, including a crib room, is provided for infants and toddlers on the basement level near the back entrance.

Missie Jean Austin is on vacation this week.

#### Meetings This Week

Tuesday. 6:45 a.m. Sunrise Bible Study Group at the Lemon Tree.  
12:00 noon Board of Trustees at the Kitghi Gammi Club.  
7:30 p.m. Diaconate in the small dining room at the church.

Baptized last Sunday: Benjamin Bruce Fochs, son of John and Cynthia Fochs.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Missie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

By faith, Sarah and Abraham left comfortable Chaldea for rigorous Canaan. "From your offspring I will make a great nation," God said to the childless pair. They spent years in the wilderness, waiting for the promise to be fulfilled. Abraham was "seventy-five and still counting" when the pledge was made, "ninety-nine and still counting" when Sarah gave birth to Isaac. Then, still counting, they died, "not having received what was promised, but having seen ... it from afar." Such faith counts on God's counts such faith on our part as a sign that we are God's own true people.

August 11  
Hebrews 11:1-16

### THE NEED CONTINUES

Recently, four small communities on the island of Leyte in the Philippines were studied by the University of the Philippines. What was discovered was that there are no roads or bridges on which cars or trucks could travel. Families live seven to ten miles from town. Thirty percent of the heads had no schooling. Twenty-six percent of the families have seven or more living children. Only one percent of the houses are built on permanent foundations. Forty percent of the houses have no toilets. Half the families carry water from a spring. There are no mechanized threshers, cleaners, or dryers, no corn-shellers. All work is done by hand (or by foot). In times of sickness, most families call for a "hilot" or medicine man; few look to a rural-health nurse. More than half the school-age children are not attending school.

In such a situation, the United Church of Christ of the Philippines calls for a Christian concern for ministry and mission. Our denomination's support for this work dates to the beginning of this century and has encompassed medical, agricultural, and educational work as well as supporting the ministries of local congregations. The need for such work, increasingly determined by the indigenous church, obviously continues!

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UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST OF THE PHILIPPINES

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WE ARE  
SURROUNDED  
BY... A GREAT  
CLOUD  
OF WITNESSES





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
2310 East Fourth Street  
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August 28, 1977

PRELUDE "The Faithful Shepherd" G. F. Handel 9:30 a.m.  
SALUTATION  
\*HYMN 15 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" No. 125, page 544 in hymnal  
\*THE BEATITUDES (We shall read responsively.) 9:45 a.m.  
\*GLORIA PATRI 10:30 p.m.

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts; cleanse us, we beseech you, from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires; that with lowliness and meekness we may draw near to you; confess our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and our strength, through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC - Sue and Jane Fuller  
"Blow ye the Trumpet"

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Please record your names on the pad in the pew and take note of who is sharing the pew with you.  
\*HYMN 423 "Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life" Pure  
SCRIPTURE READING  
SERMON  
PRAYER "Letter from a Father" Jeremiah 31:27-34  
SILENT PRAYER  
THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALENDAR

Tuesday

Sunrise Bible Study Group at the Lemon Tree.

Board of Christian Education in the C. E. office.

Wednesday

Steering Committee for "Middle Years" Workshop - C. E. office.

Thursday

10:00 p.m. Youth Ministry Team in C. E. office.

C O M I N G

September 10-11. P.F. Retreat.  
Theme: Loneliness

September 17. Workshop on:  
"The Middle Years - Grow or Rot?"

October: First four Sundays.  
Four sessions on  
"Heritage and Beliefs in the United Church of Christ"

Fliers for both workshops are on the table in the Alter Hall. The October sessions are significant in that 1977 marks the 20th anniversary of the United Church of Christ. All officers, members and prospective members of the church are on the "extended" list - along with church school teachers.



OFFERTORY Duet  
"O Thou, Who Madest the Heavens" B. Godard  
\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication "Now Thank We All Our God"

HYMN 29

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Chorale Prelude Johann Schneider  
on "Vater unser im Himmelreich"

#### OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us  
for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the serv-  
ice in the adjoining room.

Nursery, including a crib room, is provided for  
infants and toddlers on the basement level near  
the back entrance.

We are pleased to announce that the new carpeting  
installed in July has been provided as a memorial  
to G. A. W. Hedenberg by his family and friends.

We are at the low point of the year in church  
finances. Members are urged to keep their pledged  
giving up to date so that we need not draw exces-  
sively upon reserves.

Now is the time to start thinking about whom you  
are going to bring to church in September as part  
of our Pilgrim Fall Fellowship observances. The  
events start with Family Sunday worship at 10:30  
a.m. on September 11.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Christian living is like running a marathon. The arena around us is full of spectators. But our eye is not set on them. Instead, like a good athlete, we are concentrating on the goal ahead and on the runner at the head of the race, "looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of the faith." Christ sets the pace and determines our goal. We have cast aside every hindrance, self-indulgent sin and lack of spiritual discipline—and are sticking to the course until we finish the race and hear our Leader say, "Well done. Receive the winner's crown."

### WITNESS OF 10,000 PERSONS

When the Tenth General Synod of the United Church of Christ first identified world hunger as a priority concern, some persons wondered what the church could do to lift this important issue to high visibility. Some thought that it couldn't be done, that church people were too apathetic to personally relate themselves to such overwhelming need. But the people of the Washington-North Idaho Conference, working through United Ministries, the cooperative agency in which we work together with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in that region, and working with other concerned persons, proved that something could be done.

On November 24, 1975, approximately 10,000 persons participated in a statewide "Fast for the Hungry." Approximately 400 local churches served as sponsors and helped to raise \$40,000 which was sent through the Washington Council of Churches to help local food banks in the state and to send overseas a load of wheat which had earlier been collected by Washington farmers.

When 10,000 concerned persons thus "speak" of their common concern, the world listens! What is the message about world hunger which the world would have the world hear? Speak up!

# SIT AT TABLE IN THE KINGDOM





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
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September 4, 1977

PRELUDE

Adagio in A minor

SALUTATION

\*HYMN 433

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER

"God of Our Fathers"  
No. 98, page 533

\*GLORIA PATRI

UNISON PRAYER

O God of love, who has given a new command-  
ment that we should love one another even as  
you loved us, the unworthy and the wandering,  
and gave your only-begotten Son for our life  
and salvation; we pray, Lord, give to us your  
servants, in all time of our life on earth, a  
mind forgetful of past ill will, a pure con-  
science, sincere thoughts, and a heart to love  
our neighbors, for the sake of Jesus Christ  
our Lord. Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC - Jeanette Myers  
"Lord, What is Man?"

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you

\*HYMN 333

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

PRAYER

OFFERING

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

"The Hardest Work"

Romans 8:26-30

Dr. Shepard

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CALENDAR

Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Sewing for the Bazaar in the small  
dining room.

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Meeting of the Confirmation Class.

7:00 p.m. Teachers' Get-together.

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Members of the 9th grade have been invited to  
a meeting at 7:00 Wednesday evening in Dr. Shep-  
ard's study to talk about the purpose of the con-  
firmation program and to make initial plans for  
the confirmation class.

Church school teachers will get together from  
7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday on the second floor  
for orientation and fellowship.

The Pilgrim Fellowship will start the year with  
a retreat Saturday and Sunday. The theme will be  
"Loneliness".

Daily Devotions booklets for September-October  
are in the literature rack in the front vestibule.  
Included are "The Upper Room", "These Days" and  
"Family Devotions" for families with school-age  
children. Take a copy today.

COMING:

Saturday, September 17

Workshop on "The Middle Years" -  
all ages welcome.

First four Sundays in October

Four sessions on "Heritage and  
Beliefs in the United Church of  
Christ"

Fliers for both workshops are on the table in  
Carter Hall. The October sessions are planned for  
all officers, church school teachers, members and  
prospective members.



"Be Thou My Vision"

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CONFESSION

"All Glory Be to God on High"

Bach

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#### OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service in the adjoining room.

A nursery, including a crib room, is provided for infants and toddlers on the basement level near the back entrance.

Regular rehearsals of the choir will begin at 7:30 Monday evening, September 12. Those who would like to join as new members are asked to come a little earlier to meet with Ray Baker. The choir will sing at the service next Sunday at 10:30 and will rehearse at 9:15.

#### ALL CHURCH FALL FELLOWSHIP

The next three Sundays. Every member is urged to attend and to bring a friend. Next Sunday will be a Family Sunday service. Children above age 3 will attend church with their parents and our church school teachers for the coming term will be introduced. Child care will be provided for infants and small children.

Service Time next week: 10:30 A.M.

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**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**SEPTEMBER 4, 1977**  
**LUKE 13:22-30**

"Where are you coming from?" is our way of asking, "What predisposes you to think, feel, and act the way you do?" Jesus sees that question as crucial. He compared God's reign with a Heavenly Banquet where those who want "in" will be asked: "Where are you coming from?" Anyone who comes from indolence and evil will face a closed door. But, whether they be rich or poor, questioning or pious, lowly or elect, offbeat or conventional, all who come from a penitent and persistent quest for righteousness and mercy will be invited in, to "sit at table in the kingdom."

**JUSTICE FOR BUS DRIVERS IN HONG KONG**

In recent years, Hong Kong has experienced high unemployment and a resultant increase in the exploitation of its labor force. One example: A Kowloon bus company fired its regular drivers without notice and then offered to rehire them on less favorable terms. The proposed three-year contract specifically excluded paid sick-leave, health, pension, and death benefits to which the drivers had formerly been entitled.

With the help of the Christian Industrial Committee, an agency related to the Hong Kong Christian Council, which we support through the United Church Board for World Ministries, the drivers sought and secured just compensation for their firing and a review of the exploitive policy. Efforts continue to bring both justice and reconciliation between labor and management in this and similar situations.

The securing of justice and the furthering of human dignity are important ministries of Our Christian World Mission.



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ALL CHURCH FALL FELLOWSHIP  
 PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
 (A United Church of Christ)  
 September 11, 1977

PRELUDE Suite Gothique 10:30 a.m.  
 Choral and Allegro Excellence  
 \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 8 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"  
 \*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 62, page 515  
 \*GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)  
 Spirit of Truth, in your light we see where we  
 are. We cannot hide from you; help us not to  
 hide from ourselves. We know that in many ways  
 this past week we have not shown a wholehearted  
 love for you or for our neighbor. With your sta-  
 bling we can do better in the week ahead. We  
 pray then for the healing that comes through  
 your guidance and the strength that comes  
 through your power. Through Jesus Christ our  
 Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC \* \* \*  
 "I Will Sing New Songs of Gladness"  
 RECOGNITION OF CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS  
 Prayer for Ourselves and Others  
 THE LORD'S PRAYER ROLLAND NELSON, Moderator  
 OFFERING CHORAL RESPONSE  
 \*Organ Offertory  
 \*Doxology  
 \*Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY  
 Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
 and take note of who is sharing the pew with you  
 \*HYMN 362 "Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve"

Meeting of Duluth Area Fellowship Planning Committee  
 Pilgrim Fellowship Planning Committee  
 Choir rehearsal  
 Sunrise Bible Study Group at the Lemon Tree  
 Bazaar sewing in the parlor  
 Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
 Church Council meeting

Women's Fellowship Board meeting  
 Groups 1 and 2 meet at the church to go to  
 Viette Rouse's summer home at Pike Lake.  
 4th Grade Teachers meeting  
 Women's evening group at Linda Olson's,  
 2617 East 5th Street.

Rehab recreation program in Fellowship Hall.  
 Novel Reading Group in the parlor.

Workshop on "The Middle Years - Grow or Rot?"  
 Church School classes begin for all ages through  
 8th grade.

Members of the Committee on Stewardship and  
 Mission, the Board of Trustees and people in the  
 church at large are invited to attend a presen-  
 tation on United Theological Seminary by repre-  
 sentatives of the seminary in Fellowship Hall.

There is child care every Sunday for infants and toddlers on the  
 basement level near the back entrance.

Today we recognize the church school teachers and helpers and their  
 families. A few vacancies remain - if you can help, please see a  
 Board member at the close of the service to volunteer. (A complete  
 staff list will be in next Pilgrim News.)

We also welcome the children and youth of the church in today's  
 service. All children new to the church should register today in  
 Salter Hall.

For EVERYONE - ALL AGES!

September 17 Workshop on "The Middle Years - Grow or Rot?"  
 Outstanding leadership on topics of interest to everyone interested  
 in making the most of life - whatever the calendar says!

See Gerry Heller, Jana Shepard, Bob Eaton and Doug Lemons on tele-  
 vision: Channel 10 (9 a.m., September 13) and Channel 3 (12 noon,  
 September 14) and come - the 17th. It is open to the public. This  
 event is sponsored by the Adult Committee of the Board of Christian  
 Education (Joseph Saver and Peg Underdahl) with the Steering Committee:  
 Joseph Saver Gerry Heller Elsie Jean Austin  
 Peg Underdahl Robert Brenning John Pochs  
 Jeanette Kuabe Jana Shepard Karen Griffith

The leadership for the day includes Jana and Royal Shepard as well as  
 those named on the Yellow Flier. Advance registrations are not manda-  
 tory but will be appreciated.



SCRIPTURE READINGS  
Barbara Brownell

Luke 9:51-56  
Matthew 15:21-28

"Growing as a Christian"

SERMON

BACK AND FORTH PRAYER ABOUT GROWING

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 383 "Forward Through the Ages"

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

Psalm XIX

Marcello

POSTLUDE

### WELCOME TO ALL CHURCH FALL FELLOWSHIP

Beginning today and continuing through September we shall be celebrating our life together as members of the Pilgrim Church family. Today, when we have people of all ages worshiping together, we shall introduce our teachers for the coming church school year. Next Sunday we shall recognize those persons who have been members for fifty years or more, and on September 25 our emphasis will be on youth. A potluck dinner will follow the service on the 25th.

We welcome especially today those of you who are visitors. If you would like to learn more about Pilgrim Church or are interested in membership, please let us know.

We ask all of you this morning to wear a nametag.

### DECORATIONS AND PROJECTS

The flowers today are given in memory of Harold O'Dell by his family.

The special banner for this month was made by Mr. Lois Heller.

The new carpeting has been provided as a memorial to G. A. W. Hedenberg.

The painting of the sanctuary was made possible by funds provided by the late Mrs. Edward Congdon.

Architectural drawings have been completed for the new outside ramp. Funds in memory of Mrs. Loren Hietila will go towards this project.

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Minister: Luke writes about Jesus when he was twelve years old and says that he grew in wisdom, stature and favor, 6th and 7th graders, do you want to grow like that?

6th and 7th graders: Yes, we want to grow like Jesus.

The Second Letter of Peter asks us to grow in our knowledge of Jesus. 3rd and 4th graders, do you plan to grow in your knowledge of Jesus?

3rd and 4th graders: Yes, we plan to grow in our knowledge of Jesus. Jesus said that the Kingdom of God is like a mustard seed. It begins small, but grows very large. People who work for the Government, do you want to help the Kingdom of God grow?

People who work for the Government: Yes, we want to see the Kingdom grow.

Paul said that people should grow together in the church the way various parts of a body grow together to make the body strong. People who go to high school and college, do you want to help the body of Christ grow stronger?

People who go to high school and college: Yes we want to help the body of Christ grow stronger.

The book of Acts says that the Word of God grew and multiplied. People in Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grades, do you want to help the Word of God grow?

People in Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grades: Yes, we want to help the Word of God grow.

The prophet Joel said that in time to come the old shall dream dreams by the Spirit of God. People over seventy, have you stopped growing?

People over 70: No, we have not stopped growing.

In the church we seek to grow as Christians. Everybody else, are you ready to grow?

Everybody else: Yes, we are ready to grow.

Minister: O God, help us to grow as Christians. Amen.



**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**SEPTEMBER 11, 1977**  
**LUKE 14:1, 7-14**

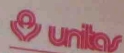
How set we get on being Number One! We "trade up" cars, move from one house in "upward mobility" to another, scramble up the corporate or social ladder, strain to consume more, each succeeding year. And if we, ourselves, can't make it, we identify with something that can. Our maneuvering for "places of honor" is ludicrous, and Jesus' advice on how to get the best seat at a banquet would be hilarious but for the need to take seriously the suggestion that we learn to live with what we already have, the place where we now live, and who we really are.

**SEMINARIANS WHO WILL NOT BE DENIED**

Last year, the economy of Mexico suffered a dramatic upheaval. The peso dropped 110% in relation to the U.S. dollar. Savings were eroded and prices skyrocketed. Every institution in Mexico suffered, including those institutions related to the church.

Union Seminary in Mexico City was forced to close its doors for the year, jeopardizing the theological education of its resident students and also that of hundreds of part-time extension students scattered throughout the country. Such was the motivation of these extension students, however, that they would not be denied their education and, because of their persistence the Theological-Education-by-Extension program begun by the Seminary continues, though without the usual supervision from Mexico City. Some of these students are already embarked on full-time ministries and their influence is felt throughout the church.

Theological-Education-by-Extension is the worthy successor to a variety of programs for ministerial training which have been supported by our United Church Board for World Ministries for sixty years in Mexico.



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ALL CHURCH FALL FELLOWSHIP  
 PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
 (A United Church of Christ)  
 September 18, 1977

PRELUDE

Sanctus

10:30 a.m.

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 195

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

\*CALL TO PRAISE

Minister: Know that the Lord is God!  
 It is he that made us and we are his.  
 People: Enter his gates with thanksgiving  
 and his courts with praise."

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)  
 Please turn in hymnal to page 495

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Praise ye the Lord"

P. I. Tchaikovsky

RECOGNITION OF FIFTY YEAR MEMBERS

Rolland Nelson, Moderator

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

Offertory

"Holy Art Thou"

(Largo from "Xerxes")

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
 and take note of who is sharing the pew with you

\*HYMN 290

SCRIPTURE READING

SERMON

"Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"  
 I Peter 2:1-10

Ada Thomas

"The Royal Priesthood"

Dr. Shepard

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN 1

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

The flowers today are given by Mr. and Mrs. Bruce  
 Buchanan in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs.  
 Emma E. Wheeler.

A nursery for infants and toddlers is provided on  
 the basement level near the back entrance.

The Steering Committee for the Workshop on the  
 Middle Years as listed in last Sunday's bulletin  
 should have included the name of Robert Eaton.

CALENDAR

Today

- 8:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.
- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service and Church School.
- 8:30 p.m. Pilgrim Fellowship volleyball and popcorn party at the church.
- 8:00 p.m. Members of the Committee on Stewardship and Mission, the Board of Trustees and people in the church at large are invited to a presentation on United Theological Seminary by representatives of the seminary in Fellowship Hall.

Monday

- 8:30 a.m. Rehab recreation program.
- 8:00 p.m. Boy Scouts in Fellowship Hall.
- 8:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday

- 8:45 a.m. TAMBS at the Lemon Tree.
- 8:00 a.m. Bazaar sewing in small dining room.

Wednesday

- 8:30 p.m. Meeting of 3rd grade teachers.
- 7:00 p.m. Meeting of primary teachers.
- 7:15 p.m. Confirmation class.

Thursday

- 8:30 a.m. Rehab recreation program.
- 8:30 p.m. Novel reading group.



CONFESSION  
POSTLUDE

CHORAL RESPONSE  
Postlude in G Major

Handel

OUR ROYAL PRIESTHOOD

Willard B. Matter, January 5, 1908, 69 years  
Mrs. Ruth Cavanaugh, May 3, 1914, 63 years  
Miss Martha Wallace, April 29, 1915, 62 years  
Mrs. Willard B. Matter, October 31, 1917, 60 years  
Mrs. J. P. Majerle, August 4, 1918, 59 years  
Miss Edna M. Jenks, August 4, 1918, 59 years  
Mr. Elizabeth Bagley, May 4, 1919, 58 years  
Mrs. Philip C. Holgate, May 4, 1919, 58 years  
Mr. Donald Avery, November 7, 1920, 57 years  
Mr. S. H. Boyer, Jr., January 12, 1921, 56 years  
Mr. W. Collins, January 12, 1921, 56 years\*  
Mrs. Arthur Roberts, January 12, 1921, 56 years  
Mrs. V. M. Tengquist, January 12, 1921, 56 years\*  
Paul F. Otis, April 2, 1922, 55 years  
Leslie D. Bradley, April 13, 1922, 55 years  
Frederick M. Harlow, April 13, 1922, 55 years  
Mrs. M. Donella Gross, November 29, 1922, 55 years  
John T. Adams, April 1, 1923, 54 years  
Miss Mira Childs, February 1, 1925, 52 years  
Mrs. R. M. Woodbridge, April 5, 1925, 52 years  
Mrs. George L. Wilson, March 28, 1926, 51 years

\*non-resident

Today marks the second of three Sundays in which we celebrate our life together as members of Pilgrim Church. Next Sunday the emphasis will be on youth. Be sure to attend the potluck dinner that follows next week's service. All members of Pilgrim Church are urged to bring a friend with them on one or more Sundays this month.

We welcome our visitors today and invite them to remain for the coffee hour. Both visitors and old-timers are asked to wear a nametag this morning.

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Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



**SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
AMERICAN INDIAN MINISTRY SUNDAY  
SEPTEMBER 18, 1977  
PHILEMON 8-17**

Onesimus was the slave of Philemon, a Christian in Colossae. He ran away to live among Christians in Rome, about whose outlook toward outcasts Onesimus had heard. Paul, a prisoner in Rome, converted Onesimus. He persuaded him to return to Philemon with a letter that urged Philemon not to punish Onesimus, but to free him to be Paul's co-worker. "Onesimus" means "useful." At stake was Philemon's consent to liberate a human to live out his name. In 110 A.D., an Ephesian bishop was named Onesimus. He may have been the man Philemon freed.

**WHAT CAN YOU DO FOR AMERICAN INDIANS?**

Today, from coast to coast, American Indians are demanding — and receiving — a hearing of their claims to treaty rights and just treatment under the law. What can you do to help them?

You can insist upon fairness and justice whenever Indian rights conflict with the desires and claims of non-Indian neighbors. You can recognize and help others to recognize that hereditary land, water, and mineral rights granted through treaty with the United States Government cannot justly be ignored or unilaterally cancelled. You can learn more about Indian cultures and beliefs, granting respect to persons whose traditional ways differ from your own.

You can support the efforts of the Council for American Indian Ministry of the United Church of Christ to sustain and develop the leadership of our Indian congregations, to support counseling and other services to Indians in urban areas, and to speak to the larger issues of our day. Your gifts to the annual Neighbors in Need all-church offering help to support the Council's work.



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ALL CHURCH FALL FELLOWSHIP  
PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
(A United Church of Christ)  
September 25, 1977

PRELUDE

Prelude  
Prelude on "Coronation" 381

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN  
\*CALL TO PRAISE  
Minister: O Lord, open our lips  
People: And our mouths shall show forth your praise.

\*GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)  
Gracious God, Creator and Father, we come before you a rebellious people. We have denied your intentions for us; we have preferred our way to Christ's way; we have disobeyed your commandments; and we have worshiped ourselves and the things we have made. Forgive us, restore in us the knowledge of who we are, and make us alive to serve you in faith, obedience, and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"If You Continue in My Word"  
PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS  
THE LORD'S PRAYER  
OFFERING  
CHORAL RESPONSE

\*Doxology  
\*OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY  
- A Pilgrim Fellowship Presentation  
- A Special Anniversary

\*HYMN  
No. 34 in Genesis Songbook  
"They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

SCRIPTURE READING Joel 2:28-29 Kim Swain  
"Where We Are Heading" Dr. Shepard

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 470 "God of the Prophets"  
CHORAL RESPONSE  
Postlude Guinaldo  
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We welcome members and visitors alike to this last of our three Fall Fellowship Sundays. Everyone is invited to the potluck dinner in Fellowship Hall immediately following the service. The flowers today are given by Jesse D. Bradley in memory of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse A. Bradley.

We also thank Sandy Johnson (granddaughter of Mr. Ruth Cavanaugh), who was married last evening. Chuck Conner, for leaving us some of her wedding flowers to enjoy.

New members will be received into the church in a few weeks and an orientation program will be planned for them. Dr. Shepard would be glad to hear from anyone wishing to be part of this group.

Next Sunday, 8:50-10:00 a.m. First of four sessions on the United Church of Christ. Details in next Pilgrim News. Please sign up on sheet in Alter Hall today. We need to know number coming.

Teachers' meetings: Monday, 10 a.m. - Junior High  
Wednesday, 7 p.m. - Junior

Sunday: 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts; 7:30 p.m. Choir.  
Monday: 6:45 a.m. TAMBS  
10:00 a.m. Bazaar Sewing  
7:30 p.m. Diaconate  
Wednesday: 7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class

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Rae Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SUNDAY**

SEPTEMBER 25, 1977

1 TIMOTHY 1:12-17

Grace: extra time to pay an insurance premium; easy flow in the line of a staircase; the name given a child in anticipation of winning charm; a prayer of gratitude at mealtime. But "the grace of our Lord," what is that? That grace is like an ocean by whose edge our life is set. We can neither plumb its depth nor encompass its width. But its tides flood us with mercy. God's grace: patience beyond our dalliance and sin; joy beyond the brightest hope; love beyond any merit; rescue when least we expect it. The grace of our Lord be with you always.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS IMPORTANT**

Ministers and church educators of the United Church of Christ in Southwest Wisconsin were surveyed last year to discover what they felt about Christian education.

These leaders agreed that church education programs should focus on the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and draw implications for today. They believed that Christian education experiences should provide fundamental motivation for significant life experiences. Ministers called for experiences to be keyed to helping children feel loved, while lay educators placed somewhat more emphasis on subject content.

The survey gave top priority to the need for prepared teaching staffs and called for local training of church school teachers and a permanent educational resource-center close at hand. The survey also called for greater parental participation, personal testimony, and support.

Yes, Christian education is important—to us all!



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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
(A United Church of Christ)  
Worship with Communion  
October 2, 1977

Service of the Word

10:30 A.M.

PRELUDE "See the Lord of Life and Light"  
"O Man, Bewail Thy Grievous Fall"  
from "The Liturgical Year"

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 228

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

\*CALL TO PRAISE

Minister: The Lord is with us.

People: He is with us indeed.

Minister: Let us celebrate his coming.

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in silence)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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OLD TESTAMENT READING

Kay Lundberg, Diaconate

Amos 8:4-8

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Neighbors in Need - Indian Task Force

NEW TESTAMENT READING

"The Golden Rule"

Luke 6:27-36

SERMON

(Series on "The Bible's Greatest Hits")

PRAYERS

CHORAL RESPONSE

Service of the Upper Room

OFFERING

Offertory "Let Us Break Bread Together"

arr. Beck

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

THE PEACE (Shake hands with your neighbors and  
with them "Shalom")

HYMN 495

"We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder"  
(congregation seated)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Minister: Beloved, this is the joyful feast of  
the people of God.  
Come and gather about the table of the  
Lord.

People: Behold how pleasant and good it is when  
brothers and sisters dwell in unity.  
Lift up your hearts.

Minister: We lift them up to the Lord.

People: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Minister: It is good that we do.

CHORAL SANCTUS

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

concluding with the Lord's Prayer in unison

THE COMMUNION

Worshippers will come forward in groups as guided  
by the Diaconate. Each group will be dismissed  
with the words, "Go in peace." The deacons will  
be glad to serve persons in the pews.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN 202 "Jesus Shall Reign Wher'er the Sun"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ" Bach

Today and the next 3 Sundays at 8:50 a.m. in Fel-  
lowship Hall: U.C.C. Heritage and Beliefs.

This evening at 6:30 at Peace Church: Listening  
session with Conference Minister F.X. Pirazzini.

Monday. 7:00 Boy Scouts; 7:30 Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday. 6:45 a.m. TAMBS; 10:00 Bazaar Sewing;  
7:30 p.m. Board of Christian Education.

Wednesday. 11:00 Women's Fellowship Board.

12:30 Luncheon. Speaker: Beth Knight on what  
what other church women in Minnesota are doing.

7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class.

Thursday. 7:30 in parlor: Novel Reading Group.

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**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY  
NEIGHBORS IN NEED SUNDAY**

**OCTOBER 2, 1977**

**1 TIMOTHY 2:1-8**

Community and Communion root in "common unity." In our communities we manifest our unity by sharing streets, schools, and other services. Our unity as Christians is shown in our acknowledgment of kinship in Christ, whom we join at his table. In Communion, we affirm our faith in "one mediator" between God and humankind. That mediation is not directed only to the one-fourth of the world called "Christian." God "desires that all people be saved." Let this World Communion foreshadow the Heavenly Banquet where all people are to find welcome.

**PROVIDING HELP FOR YOUR NEIGHBOR**

Today, many congregations will celebrate World Communion Sunday. Many congregations, too, will participate in the Neighbors in Need all-church offering. The two emphases are complementary. Holy Communion has always had a vertical and a horizontal dimension, has always been intended to demonstrate both communion with God and oneness with humanity. Today, through your participation in the Neighbors in Need offering, you can make visible your concern for your neighbors in several important ways. You will help to provide:

- *Action Against Child Abuse in Our Nation.* Pastors and lay persons will be trained to provide early identification and aid.
- *Counseling for Teenagers in Pregnancy Cases.* Model counseling and caring centers will be supported in selected poverty areas.
- *Development of American Indian Leadership.* The work of 21 small Indian congregations will be strengthened and greater understanding and justice will be promoted.
- *Food Production for the Needy in Puerto Rico.* A demonstration and teaching farm will be located at the church-owned Yuquiyu Conference Center.
- Expand your service to humanity through your gifts to Neighbors in Need!



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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
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October 9, 1977

PRELUDE

Second Sonata  
Grave and Adagio

10:30 a.m.

Mendelssohn

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 7

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"  
No. 70, page 518

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

We confess to you, almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that we have grievously sinned in thought, word, and deed. Make us truly contrite. Fill us with holy fear, and give us grace to amend our lives according to your Word, for the glory of your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO FOURTH GRADERS

Dr. Shepard and teachers: Earl Austin (also on Board of Christian Education) and Doug Olson. (Parents please come forward with children as names are called.)

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Forever Blest Is He"

Handel-Stantock

OLD TESTAMENT READING

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

Amos 6:1, 4-6

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING (Including Neighbors In Need)

Offertory

"Jesus Savior Lamb of God"

Cabezón-Repper

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

CALENDAR

Sunday

8:50 a.m. Heritage and Beliefs session in Fellowship Hall. Dr. Ellis Livingston, "Early Church Leaders". Next Sunday, "What is our theology?", Dr. Shepard.

9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.

10:15 a.m. Fifth and sixth graders meet at church to go on a "dig" at Park Point. They will return at 11:30. The "dig" is to help children understand how archeologists have given us knowledge of the Bible.

10:30 a.m. Worship Service and Church School.

7:30 p.m. Pilgrim Fellowship.

Monday

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.

7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday

6:45 a.m. TAMBS at the Lemon Tree.

8:00 a.m. Bazaar Sewing.

12:00 noon Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Wednesday

2:30 p.m. Group 1 at Mabel Weesner's, 1225 Woodrich Circle. Bring a sandwich.

Group 2 at Mary Roberts', 2141 Vermilion Road. Bring a sandwich.

7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class.

Thursday

7:30 p.m. Inquirer's session in pastor's study.

Group 3, the Women's Fellowship evening group, will meet on Wednesday, October 19, at 7:30 p.m. at Julie Johnson's, 2611 East 6th Street.



FOR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you.

SERMON No. 38, Genesis Songbook "Amazing Grace"  
Luke 15

NEW TESTAMENT READING

"Heavenly Joy"  
(Series on "The Bible's Greatest Hits")

PRAYER

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 70 "Let Us With a Gladsome Mind"

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

CONCLUDE

Second Sonata Mendelssohn  
Allegro maestoso and Fuga

Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us  
for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service  
in the adjoining room.

The flowers this morning are given in memory of  
Clinton F. Russell by Mrs. Russell and family.

The Young Readers Bible is being given by the  
Board of Christian Education to all fourth graders  
as a gift, not as a reward. This particular edition  
is filled with background information. Parents can  
help the children to get acquainted with contents  
and meanings through regular use and reading of the  
Bible at home. Those receiving Bibles are:

Nancy Ellen Anderson  
Martin Willard Austin  
Elisabet Blanche Casserberg  
Cindy Clure  
John Robert Heller  
Robert Elderfield Lundberg  
Tommy May  
Allen Slack  
William Richard Swain

Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Olsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
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**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**OCTOBER 9, 1977**  
**I TIMOTHY 6:11-16**

The New Testament word "laos" refers to *all* of God's people. It is laden with honor and hope. Our modern word "laity" simply denotes non-professionals. It implies an apology, a disclaimer, and a self-fulfilling put-down. Laity assume that only ordained clergy can do the important work in a church and abandon that work to the clergy. We need clergy who equip laity for work, and laity who work to be equipped. Ordained or not, we are *all* God's laity. God calls us *all* to be just, to serve others, and to witness to faith in Christ, the King of kings.

**A WARM "ALOHA" AND A GIFT OF LOVE**

When Annie Kanahele, a longtime member of the Kaumakapili Church in Honolulu, celebrated her eightieth birthday, friends brought her a gift, a "lei" of dollar bills adding up to \$80. Mrs. Kanahele, conscious of the difference which education had made in her own life, sent the gift — with a special "aloha" — to the 17/76 Achievement Fund of the United Church of Christ.

Born into poverty on the Island of Hawaii, Mrs. Kanehele had to struggle to get the education which qualified her to become a teacher and then a principal. "I thank God," she says, "for the school and the church. These have enabled me to serve the people of Hawaii during the years that God has given me. I pray that my gift to the 17/76 Achievement Fund may help some other student. To that unknown young person, whose name I may never know and whose face I shall never see, I send my warm aloha with this gift of love my friends have given me."

Individuals and congregations which pledged to the 17/76 Achievement Fund are reminded that the payment period continues for three years after the initial campaign. Help is still needed in order for the Fund to reach its goal.



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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota  
(A United Church of Christ)

October 16, 1977

PRELUDE Toccata and Fugue in D Minor 10:30 a.m.  
\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 15 "Praise to the Lord"  
\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 89, page 528  
\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)  
Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have promised to receive us when we come to  
you. We confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed. We have disobeyed  
your law. We have not loved you or our neigh-  
bors as we should. Forgive us, O God, and grant  
that we may live and serve you in newness of  
life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC  
"O Sing Unto the Lord" L. Mason  
OLD TESTAMENT READING Habakkuk 1:1-3; 2:1-4  
W. Minster Kunkel III  
PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS SILENT PRAYER  
THE LORD'S PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING  
\*Offertory "God So Loved the World" Stainer  
\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY  
Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you

\*HYMN 230  
NEW TESTAMENT READING "Immortal Love, Forever Full"  
John 3:16-21

CALENDAR

Sunday

Third session on Heritage and Beliefs,  
Dr. Shepard. Next Sunday - The U.C.C.  
and the Bible - conclusion of the four  
sessions sponsored by the Board of  
Christian Education.  
Choir rehearsal.  
Worship Service and Church School.  
Pilgrim Fellowship.

Monday

Rehab recreation program.  
Boy Scouts.  
Choir rehearsal.  
Inquirer's session for those interested  
in learning more about the church and  
for those interested in membership.  
D.A.C.L.D.

Tuesday

TAMBS at the Lemon Tree.  
Work on Bazaar projects.  
Budget Committee in the parlor.

Wednesday

Confirmation Class.  
Evening Group 3 at Julie Johnson's,  
2611 East 6th Street.  
Committee on Stewardship and Mission.

Thursday

Rehab recreation program.  
Novel reading group in the parlor.



SERMON "The God Who Gives" Dr. Shepard  
(Series on "The Bible's Greatest Hits")

PRAYER  
PROCESSIONAL HYMN 206 "Ye Servants of God"

BENEDICTION CHORAL RESPONSE  
Fugue in G Minor Bach

#### OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service in the adjoining room.

The flowers this morning are given in memory of Anna Smith by her niece, Charlotte Farrish Luwe.

Several boxes of clothing have been packed for the Delmo Thrift Shop. There is still a need for children's clothing in good condition. Items may be left in the small dining room at the church.

Saturday, November 5, is the day for the annual Bazaar and Food Sale. One of the main booths is the white elephant-attic treasures sale. All kinds of things may be contributed for this: glass, small articles of furniture, china, jewelry - household items which you no longer need or use but which might be just what someone else would like. Paper bags are also needed. Jeanette Knabe, Phyllis Johnson and Bunny Robb are people to call for information or pick-up of articles if you cannot get them to the church.

Tuesday mornings at 10:00 anyone and everyone is welcome to come to the small dining room to work on articles for the sale. See the Bazaar table in Salter Hall today for materials and patterns.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**OCTOBER 16, 1977**  
**2 TIMOTHY 1:3-12**

What to do when the first flush of faith fades and grows gray? Timothy was a third-generation Christian. If the flame of Pentecost could flicker so soon and by the Second Century need to be rekindled, what about the faith of this sixty-fifth generation of Christians? Our best hope may consist in the fact that Christian faith is not our achievement, but is "the gift of God." Habakkuk seems to have it straight: if the vision "awaits its time . . . wait for it." Faith: the waiting game. Faith: the kindling of God. Faith: the game waiting.

**A FIVE-PRONGED ATTACK ON WORLD HUNGER**

Through the Hunger Action Fund, members of the United Church of Christ have mounted a five-pronged attack on world hunger. The Hunger Action Fund of our denomination helps to:

- raise consciousness of U.C.C. members to worldwide hunger problems and encourages lifestyle modification as one part of the Christian answer.
  - advocate citizen action for public policies which seek to resolve domestic and world hunger in the context of development, international economic cooperation, and social justice.
  - coordinate the allocation of U.C.C. personnel and funds available for combating world hunger through programs of aid and development in the U.S. and throughout the world.
  - contribute to a deeper understanding of the ethical issues related to world hunger by initiating or collaborating in theological and ethical studies.
  - increase substantially the giving of United Church of Christ members for hunger-related activities and programs.
- You can be part of this denomination-wide effort through your congregation's participation in the U.C.C. Hunger Action Fund.



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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota  
(A United Church of Christ)

October 23, 1977

PRELUDE

Tierce en Taille  
Suite du deuxième Ton

10:30 a.m.

Trio and Fuguetta on "Dundee"

Jean Guillard  
Austin Lovelace

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 14 "The God of Abraham Praise"

\*CALL TO PRAISE

Minister: This is the day that the Lord has made.  
People: Let us be glad and rejoice in it.

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

We confess to you, almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that we have grievously sinned in thought, word, and deed. Make us truly contrite. Fill us with holy fear, and give us grace to amend our lives according to your Word, for the glory of your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"O Lord, in Thee We Put Our Trust"

Handel

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ruth 1:1-16

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory  
\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication

"Locus Iste"

Bruckner

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Please record your names on the pad in the pew.  
Building on Commitment - John Morrison

CALENDAR

Sunday

8:50 a.m. Concluding session on Heritage and Beliefs: The U.C.C. and the Bible.  
9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service and Church School.  
7:30 p.m. Pilgrim Fellowship.

Monday

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.

Tuesday

8:45 a.m. TAMBS  
10:00 a.m. Bazaar sewing.  
7:30 p.m. Diaconate.

Wednesday

9:30 a.m. UMD extension class, Fellowship Hall.  
7:00 p.m. Multiple Sclerosis Halloween party.  
7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class.

Saturday

1:00 p.m. Brownie Scouts in Fellowship Hall.

BAZAAR AND FOOD SALE - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

needed:

White elephants. Call Jeanette Knabe, Bunny Robb or Phyllis Johnson for information or pick up, or just bring your treasures to the church. Paper bags are needed also.

Bakery. Bread, cookies, cupcakes, decorated cakes, apple pies, etc. - and bakery boxes. Stitched and knitted things. See patterns and materials at Bazaar table in Salter Hall today. Aprons, stuffed toys, embroidered patches (we hear the evening group is busy making things), socks, mittens, mufflers, wool caps, puppets.

Plants. Herbs, ivy, blooming plants....  
Help on Friday (making ready) and/or Saturday (selling, cashiers, waitresses, cleaning up.)



"Morning Has Broken"

HYMN 38

I John 3:1-3

NEW TESTAMENT READING

"What We Shall Be"

Dr. Shepard

SEMON

(Series on "The Bible's Greatest Hits")

PRAYER

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 362

"Awake, My Soul, Stretch Every Nerve"

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

CONCLUDE

Fantasia et Fuga in A Minor

J.S.Bach

#### OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship in the adjoining room following the service.

The flowers this morning are given in memory of Mr. Alex D. Chisholm by Mrs. Chisholm and family.

Last call for reservations for the trip to the Athrie for the Saturday matinee, November 12. If two or three more people go along we should be able to provide a bus.

Pilgrim Fellowship is holding a bake sale in the Alter Hall after the service today. Proceeds will go to UNICEF.

UNICEF materials are being sent home through the Church School today. The Duluth UNICEF Committee has designated next Sunday, the 30th, as UNICEF Sunday. You may also give to UNICEF with checks made to UNICEF, Duluth and sent to Elsie Jean Austin, Pilgrim Church.

Daily devotions booklets for Nov.-Dec. and other reading materials are available in the literature rack in the front vestibule.

Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**UNITED NATIONS DAY**  
**OCTOBER 23, 1977**  
**LUKE 17:11-19**

They were unlikely types, those ten diseased half-breeds. "Unclean! Unclean!" And, being Samaritans, they were outsiders to Israel with little claim on Jesus. Besides, ninety percent of them were ingrates. Even so, Jesus responded with help when they cried, "Master have mercy!" What is it to be like Christ? Is it not to show compassion and mercy like that? Is it not to anticipate that many to whom we show compassion and mercy may not thank us for it? Is it not to go on being compassionate and merciful as much as if we had been thanked?

**ANOTHER ASPECT OF STEWARDSHIP**

One aspect of stewardship — for a Christian — is the one related to voluntary giving to church and community causes. Another aspect is the non-voluntary giving to important social service and development programs through one's taxes. United States support for the United Nations Development Programme is one example of such stewardship.

The United Nations works with over 140 governments and with two-dozen international agencies for faster economic growth and better standards of living throughout Asia, Africa, Latin America, the Middle East, and parts of Europe. To this end, its Development Programme supports some 8,000 projects in agriculture, industry, education, power production, communications, health, public administration, housing, trade, and related fields. During the next five years, about 80 percent of this assistance will go to countries whose per capita Gross National Product is less than \$300.

Through our United Church Board for World Ministries, which is represented in the Non-Governmental Organizations group at the United Nations, we have opportunity to consult with and offer advice on many United Nations programs. The United Nations often shares one of the major goals we have in many of our church programs: the improvement of life for all people.



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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota  
(A United Church of Christ)

October 30, 1977

REFORMATION SUNDAY

10:30 a.m.

- PRELUDE Suite for Organ Georg Philip Telemann  
\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 363 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"  
\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 72, page 519  
\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison) by Martin Luther  
Lord God, Heavenly Father, from Whom we receive  
without ceasing all manner of good so superabun-  
dantly, and by Whom we are protected daily from  
all evil so graciously, we pray Thee, grant us  
to acknowledge all this through Thy Spirit with  
our whole heart in true faith, so that we may  
thank and praise Thy blessed goodness and mercy  
both now and eternally; through Jesus Christ,  
Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC  
"Praise the Lord" Praetorius  
OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 17:8-13  
Helen Anne Kohlbray

OFFERING  
Offertory "I Will Not Leave You Comfortless" Titcomb  
\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY  
Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you.  
Building on Commitment - Joseph H. Leek

\*HYMN 354 "Who Trusts in God, a Strong Abode"

UNICEF, 1977 at Pilgrim Congregational Church  
Today has been designated by the Duluth UNICEF Committee as UNICEF Day when, as suggested, children and youth around the city will come to collect to help the world's children regardless of their race, political affiliation, religion... it is not just an emergency relief organization. UNICEF assists governments in developing lasting services for children and furnishes supplies and equipment to help children in over 100 countries... UNICEF is financed entirely by voluntary contributions from governments and concerned people in more than 120 countries.

Three-fourths of the world's child population live in the developing nations. Few of the world's more fortunate people ever see them. In these most deprived nations, the plight of millions of children is desperate. Infant and young child death rates are from eight to ten times higher than in industrial countries. Disease, filthy water, lack of sanitary facilities and malnutrition are the ugly facts of life.

Pilgrim Congregational Church has been at the top of the list each year for generous support of the children in such countries as described above... part of this is due to the faithful work on the part of OUR children... part of it is due to the generosity of individual adults who have responded with a check for UNICEF... some of these individuals have died or due to better reasons are no longer able to give... we appeal to any who may not be reached at your door to consider making out a check for UNICEF, Duluth and to bring or mail it to Elsie Jean Austin at the church... and to accept our thanks for your support of UNICEF - Duluth, 1977.

\$8.00 will provide 100 vials of penicillin to cure a child's infection

\$9.00 will supply vaccine to immunize 20 children against polio

\$25.00 will stock five village ponds with baby fish for potential protein supply

\$53.00 will buy 50 rakes, junior size for a school vegetable garden

These are just samples of the kinds of help your check or donation will provide...

Elsie Jean Austin  
Duluth UNICEF Committee member

Most of the reasons for  
supporting UNICEF are  
under 10 years old!



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NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 1:16-17  
SERMON "Luther's Discovery" Dr. Shepard  
concludes series on "The Bible's Greatest Hits")  
PASTORAL PRAYER SILENT PRAYER  
PROCESSIONAL HYMN 29 "Now Thank We All Our God"  
BENEDICTION CHORAL RESPONSE  
CONCLUDE Praeludium, Fuge and Ciacona Buxtehude  
OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY  
Welcome to visitors. Please join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service.  
The flowers today are given by John M. Dickerson in memory of his wife, Marion Dickerson.  
Pilgrim Fellowship SPOOK HOUSE tonight, 5:00-8:00 at the church. Admission 25¢. Proceeds to UNICEF.  
program on TV violence, "Information and Training Session", at Central High School Thursday at 7:00 p.m., presented by Steve Winnick, Chairman of P. Parents, Teachers, Students Association (S.A.) and a member of the TV program content analysis committee.  
Monday. 6:45 a.m., TAMBS; 10:00, Bazaar Sewing; 7:00 p.m., Boy Scouts; 7:30 p.m., Board of Christian Education in the parlor.  
Tuesday. 7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class; 8:15 p.m., Worship Committee.  
Wednesday. 7:30 p.m., Novel Reading Group, parlor.  
Thursday. Preparation Day for the Bazaar.  
Friday. 9:30 a.m. BAZAAR and FOOD SALE  
Last call for white elephants and donations of food, handmade stitched or knitted articles etc.  
Luncheon (including children's) 11:30-1:00.  
Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
REFORMATION SUNDAY**

OCTOBER 30, 1977

2 TIMOTHY 3:14-4:2

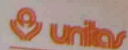
Hans Küng is a Roman Catholic scholar who teaches theology at the University of Tübingen. Let Father Küng underline for us an important part of Christian life. He says that, from the very first, the Christian message spread with speed because all followers of Jesus — not just apostles and evangelists, but merchants, soldiers, housewives, and seafarers — preached and taught the gospel. In Christ Jesus, they were made prophets and priests to speak the word urgently. This, says Father Küng, is what the "priesthood of all believers" must mean today.

**REFORMATION AND CHURCH RENEWAL**

Historically, the Protestant Reformation was an instance of church renewal. Today, we understand this renewal more as a process than as an event, a process in which we ourselves can participate.

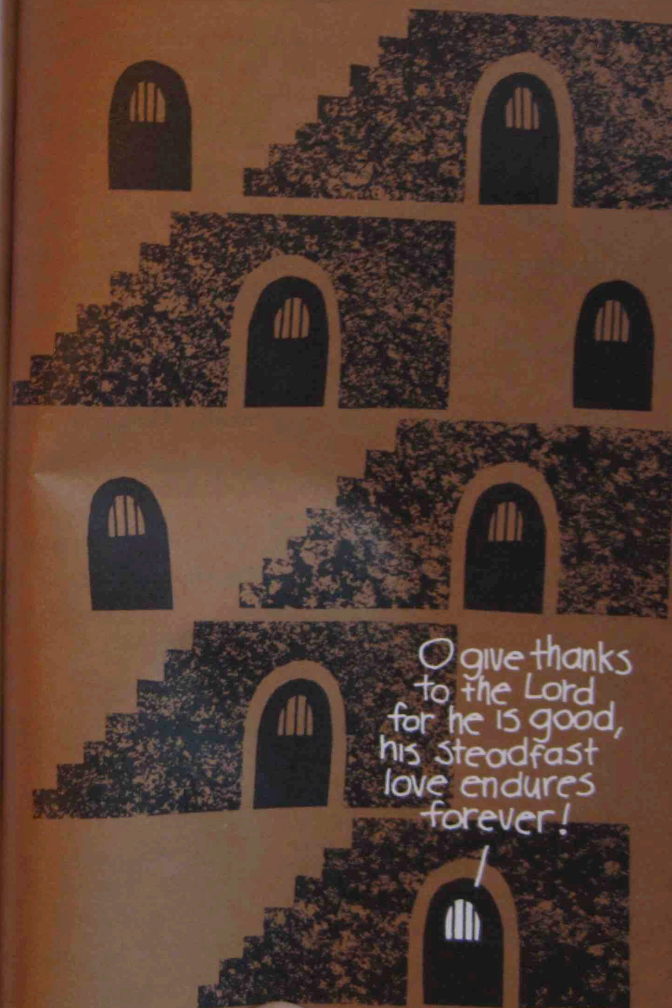
A number of congregations, like that of the Church of the Manger in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, initiate such a renewal process by inviting members to join the church for only a year at a time as truly active and participating members. The congregation is a loving, spiritual, sharing relationship among members who annually "own" a covenant to serve the Lord through the congregation's service and witness.

Reformation Day is also an ideal time to renew your own personal covenant with your Lord. Reformation Day can thus have both a corporate and an individual dimension.



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I have kept the faith



O give thanks  
to the Lord  
for he is good,  
his steadfast  
love endures  
forever!



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota  
(A United Church of Christ)

November 6, 1977

PRELUDE "Like the Golden Sun Ascending" Paul Manz  
"Jesu, Priceless Treasure"

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 64

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 62, page 515

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

We confess to you, almighty God, Father, Son,  
and Holy Spirit, that we have grievously sinned  
in thought, word, and deed. Make us truly con-  
trite. Fill us with holy fear, and give us  
grace to amend our lives according to your Word  
for the glory of your holy name, through Jesus  
Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Bless the Lord" Michail Ippolitoff Ivanoff

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus" arr. Manz

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you

Building on Commitment - Rolland Nelson

\*HYMN 441

SCRIPTURE READING

"Once to Every Man and Nation"

Exodus 18:13-27

CALENDAR

Sunday

9:15 a.m. Orientation meeting for Building on  
Commitment callers.  
9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.  
10:30 a.m. Worship Service and Church School.  
11:30 a.m. Teachers' Meeting - C.E. office.  
11:45 a.m. Music Committee in the parlor.  
7:30 p.m. Pilgrim Fellowship.

Monday

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts - Fellowship Hall.  
7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.  
7:30 p.m. Stewardship and Mission Committee  
meeting in the parlor.

Tuesday

6:45 a.m. TAMBS, at the Lemon Tree.  
2:00 noon Board of Trustees.

Wednesday

7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class.- the Loft.  
7:30 p.m. Nominating Committee meeting in second  
floor front classroom.  
8:00 p.m. Membership Orientation meeting in the  
pastor's study.

Saturday

9:45 a.m. Guthrie Theater trip bus leaves the  
church.

Sunday, November 13. Building On Commitment  
Family Dinner.

Sunday, November 20. Dr. David Maitland, guest  
preacher.

Sunday, November 27. Family Sunday.

Sunday, December 4. Advent Workshop.



"Election Sermon"

Dr. Shepard

SERMON

PRAYER

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 438

"O God, Beneath Thy Guiding Hand"

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

CONCLUDE

"God of Grace"

Paul Manz

"All Glory Be to God on High"

#### OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service in the adjoining room.

The flowers today are given by Mrs. J. G. Mickelson in memory of Mr. J. G. Mickelsen and Mr. Robert Mickelsen.

WHO CAN TURN DOWN A FREE MEAL? Not many; that's why we hope you will give your reservation immediately to the telephoner who invites you to the Second Annual Building On Commitment Dinner. This event will get under way right after church next Sunday.

UNICEF notes and cards are available in a limited selection in Salter Hall this morning.

Thanks to all children, youth and adults who supported UNICEF in collecting and/or giving.

We welcome Joel Anderson who is assisting Earl Austin in the fourth grade class.

Ushers for the month of November: Charles Anderson, Captain, Shirley Swain, John Glendenning, Sr., Joseph H. Leek, A. W. Taylor.

Reading the scripture today is Betsy Brownell.

Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Lsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**NOVEMBER 6, 1977**

2 TIMOTHY 4:6-8, 16-18

A New Testament writer has Paul say, "I have fought the good fight . . . finished the race . . . kept the faith." You could claim that for Paul. He endured hardship, planted churches from Antioch to Rome, preached mercy, practiced compassion, and died a martyr. Some of us, however, have to pray, "God, be merciful to me a sinner," and we are not breast-beaters. We have lost many rounds. We stumble through life. We try to keep one foot in the faith and the other on our own careering way. Our best hope is to admit our need and to seek the mercy offered in Christ.

**SELFLESS SERVICE IN TURKEY**

For more than a century, the United Church Board for World Ministries has been engaged in educational work in Turkey. Recently, however, major responsibility for management and finance of our secondary schools has been delegated to a new, predominately Turkish, Board of Governors, thus symbolizing a new era of partnership and cooperation.

The schools, Uskudar American Academy for Girls, Izmir American Collegiate Institute, and Tarsus American School, maintain a high standard of academic excellence and, in addition, have built a reputation for selfless community service.

At Uskudar, for example, students of the Orphanage Club and of the Deaf and Dumb School Assistance Club have raised money for needed equipment at nearby institutions, have participated in special programs there, and have spent hours of time and immense energy working with individual children in their spare time.

Our Turkish partners say that the schools could not continue without the capable and dedicated sort of teachers recruited by the United Church Board for World Ministries. It is their example of selfless service to others which is reflected in the school's community service projects and which makes the educational experience at these schools unique in Turkey.



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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
(A United Church of Christ)  
November 13, 1977

STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY  
"WE ARE BUILDING ON COMMITMENT"

PRELUDE Suite Gothique Boellmann  
Introduction and Choral - Allegro

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 413 "Son of God, Eternal Savior"  
\*CALL TO PRAISE

Minister: This is the day that the Lord has made  
People: Let us be glad and rejoice in it.

Minister: The earth is the Lord's and the full-  
ness thereof.

People: The world and those who dwell therein.

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of righteousness and truth, we admit to you  
and to each other that we often choose the wrong  
in preference to the right. The spirit of sacrificial  
love revealed in our Lord is frequently  
absent from our living. Many times we are long  
on pride and self-indulgence and short on courage  
and faithfulness. As we begin our worship we ask  
your forgiveness and your inspiration. Through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Kay Lundberg

MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

Willan

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS (see insert)

OFFERING

Offertory

"The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee"

Berge

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

CALENDAR

Sunday

9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.  
10:30 a.m. Worship service and Church School.  
11:30 a.m. Building on Commitment Dinner.  
1:00 p.m. Guthrie Theater symposium, Salter Hall.  
7:30 p.m. Pilgrim Fellowship.

Monday

10:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall.  
11:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday

8:45 a.m. TAMBS.

Wednesday

8:30 p.m. Webelos, small dining room.  
10:15 p.m. Confirmation Class, The Loft.  
10:00 p.m. Evening Circle at Elsie Cook's,  
215 Snively Road.

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

If you would like to share your Thanksgiving  
dinner and family atmosphere with a UMD student  
from Hong Kong, Saudi Arabia, Kenya, Thailand or  
Japan, please call Gen Plumb soon - 525-4492.

UNICEF report: \$322.57. Of this, \$103 was col-  
lected by one high school student; \$105 in checks  
from adults. Our thanks to all.

The American Field Service announces the oppor-  
tunity to those of you who may be interested in  
opening your home and your hearts to a foreign  
student during the school year 1978-79.

This would be a chance for you and your family  
to grow through learning and sharing with a teen-  
ager from another culture.

To be eligible, the host family must provide  
the student with a separate bed.

For further information, please contact Betsy  
Plumb, 724-2494.

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Our records show perfect attendance in church school for the first 8 Sundays:

Kgn. (5's): Marion Casserberg, Beth Morrison.  
1st and 2nd grades:

Heather Glendenning, Christopher Harwood  
Sarah Harwood, Janeen Smith

3rd grade: Scott Glendenning

4th grade: Nancy Anderson, Elisabet Casserberg,  
Billy Swain

5th grade: Lori Morrison

7th grade: Nancy van Druten

8th grade: Steven Morrison

Amy and Susan Hedenberg also have 100% with one excused absence when they visited another church school!

Congratulations to each of the above and to the parents!

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The Y.W.C.A. is observing World Mutual Service Week November 13-19. This annual celebration points up the work of over 400 community Y.W.C.A.'s in the United States and in over 80 countries around the world. Duluth's celebration includes the following two programs to which you are invited.

This afternoon, 2:00 to 4:00.

Harriet Viksna, Associate Professor at UMD, will speak on "The Immigrant Woman". Refreshments will follow.

Wednesday at 12:30 p.m.

Dr. Edward J. Cowles, Professor at UMD, will speak (talk and slide presentation) on "World Hunger, How It Feels to Starve." Dr. Cowles served as a "guinea pig" in a semi-starvation experiment and will contrast his experience against hunger in the world today. Mrs. Dennis Maher will lead the devotion.

## OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Please record your names on the pad in the pew and take note of who is sharing the pew with you.

## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 10:29-31

"All God's Children"

Dr. Shepard

## PRAYER

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 485 "This Is My Father's World"

## BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

## POSTLUDE

Prelude in G Major

Bach

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We welcome our visitors today. If you want to learn more about our church program, please speak to the minister or call 724-8503.

The flowers are given by the Thomas Kohlbray family in memory of Mrs. Kohlbray's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. Harrold, and Mr. Kohlbray's father, Mr. Carl Kohlbray.

The Building on Commitment Dinner will begin a few minutes after the conclusion of the service. Consequently we shall not hold the usual coffee fellowship in Salter Hall today.

Visitors will begin calling on the congregation on behalf of the Building on Commitment program this afternoon.

A symposium on the Guthrie Theater production of Noel Coward's "Design for Living" will be held in Salter Hall today at 1:00 p.m.

The Reverend David Maitland, chaplain of Carleton College, will speak next Sunday. Everyone is invited to bring a sack lunch and join in an informal discussion with Dr. Maitland in the Fellowship Hall after the service.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY**

NOVEMBER 13, 1977

LUKE 19:1-10

Jericho's chief tax collector was up a tree. Rich and powerful he was. But compatriots hated him for being a traitor and a cutthroat. In their eyes, his low morals matched his short legs. Then Jesus came to Jericho. The tax collector sought him and climbed a sycamore to catch sight of Jesus in the crowd. Now Jesus sought the tax collector, called him from his tree, shocked the crowd by going to his home, and answered his eager welcome with the gift of salvation. That day Zaccheus, Jericho's villain, became a just and compassionate man.

**SHARE THE GIFT**

Most Christians are thankful for God's gift of Christ. In our churches we frequently recall that this Gift of Gifts has been shared with us and with all people. But how often do we think about how we ourselves are called by God to share the precious gift of Christ's presence with others who have not yet experienced it?

We **share the gift** when we act in Christlike ways to persons whom we meet in the course of our daily lives.

We **share the gift** when we shape our lives to include deeds of loving service to those about us who may be in some special need: the poor, the sick, the physically or mentally handicapped, the exploited.

We **share the gift** when we use our time and our money in the service of Christ's church — both within our own community and beyond — through Our Christian World Mission.

We **share the gift** when we do something to improve the well-being of our world — its people and its natural resources.

In what ways are you now sharing the gift? In what ways will you commit yourself to share the gift of Christ in the days and in the year ahead?

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LORD



PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
(A United Church of Christ)  
November 20, 1977

10:30 A.M.  
PRELUDE "Now Thank We All Our God" J. S. Bach  
arr. Virgil Fox  
\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 460 "We Plow the Fields"  
\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 90, page 529  
\*GLORIA PATRI

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (page 498 in hymnal)  
David Michael Slovik, born August 6, 1977

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Exultate Justi in Domino" Viadana  
"Triumph and rejoice in the Lord, ye just,  
for the Lord is worthy to be praised. Sing ye  
praises unto the Lord upon the harp; with the  
ten stringed lute sing unto Him. O sing unto  
Him a new song. Sound the harp in His presence  
and shout unto Him with gladness."

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS SILENT PRAYER  
THE LORD'S PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory "Now Thank We All Our God" H. Willan  
\*Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Reception of a New Member  
Katherine Leek Plattner  
Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you.  
\*HYMN 21

"We Gather Together"

The Welcome to New Members

then as members of this church, gladly welcome  
you to a part with us in the hopes, the labors,  
and the joys of the Church of Christ. We promise  
to walk with you in Christian love and sympathy,  
and to promote, as far as in us lies, your growth  
in the Christian life.

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

We welcome the new members received last Sunday:  
Marlowe and Joan Smaby, 1414 Vermilion Road, and  
Peter H. Wonson, 918 Grandview Avenue.

A Family Sunday next week. Children will wor-  
ship with their parents. There will be a special  
first Sunday in Advent presentation by the min-  
ister and some of his latest friends.

There will be a reception of new members on Sun-  
day, December 4. People interested in joining the  
church at that time should speak to Dr. Shepard.

Dr. Shepard will be out of town from Wednesday  
morning through Saturday afternoon.

Our thanks to Charles Bouschor, Julie Stoltz and  
Jim Jenkins for providing the film program for  
children at last Sunday's dinner.

If you would like to share your Thanksgiving  
dinner and family atmosphere with a UMD student  
from Hong Kong, Saudi Arabia, Kenya, Thailand or  
Japan, please call Gen Plumb, 525-4492.

Copies of the sermons on "The Bible's Greatest  
Lessons, II" are available on the small table in  
alter Hall.

Members of the novel reading group may pick up  
copies of the sermon relating to The Fall in the  
church office today. The next meeting is Dec. 1.  
No Confirmation Class meeting this week.

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An organ recital in memory of Ruth Alta Rogers will be presented at 4:00 this afternoon at Sacred Heart Church, 211 W. 4th Street, sponsored by the Arrowhead Chapter of the American Guild of Organists. Ray Baker will be playing in the program. A free will offering will be taken for the Ruth Rogers Scholarship Fund. Everyone is invited.

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Remember - Save the date!

#### ADVENT WORKSHOP

Sunday, December 4, 3-5 p.m.

Get ideas and make gifts or home decorations for Christmas. This annual event is a special time for many in the Pilgrim family - a time to enjoy, visit and create. A special welcome is offered to all our newer families...singles...all ages!

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#### CALENDAR

Monday. 12:00 noon. Kindergarten teachers at Somebody's House.  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts  
7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal  
8:00 p.m. DACLD (Salter Hall)  
Tuesday. 6:45 a.m. TAMBS  
7:30 p.m. Diaconate.

#### NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

SERMON

"In Praise of Aging"  
Dr. David J. Maitland

#### GENERAL THANKSGIVING (in unison)

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

CESSIONAL HYMN 1 "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

STLUDE

Partita on "St. Anne"

Paul Manz

Welcome to visitors. Everyone is invited for coffee and koolaid immediately after the service. You are further invited to take your coffee downstairs for an informal discussion with Dr. Maitland concerning the themes lifted up in his sermon today.

The flowers this morning are given by Mr. and Mrs. John T. Adams in memory of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur N. Collins.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Lsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
THANKSGIVING SUNDAY**

NOVEMBER 20, 1977

2 THESSALONIANS 2:16-3:5

Today, the Christian Year ends. Next Sunday, with Advent, we begin a new year. You enter a new year in hope; how do you mark an old year? You celebrate an old year by remembering. Remember God's covenant given to Noah, established in Abraham, confirmed in Israel, sealed in Christ, renewed with us. Remember loved ones who have died in the Lord and now inherit everlasting life. Remember the Ancient of Days who spans the generations: Abraham, Isaac, Jacob—us. Remember the sovereign purpose of God: there before creation, there over the horizon of all our years.

**GIVE THANKS FOR THOSE  
WHO HAVE BROUGHT YOU FOOD**

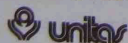
When you sit down to your Thanksgiving dinner this year, give thanks to God for the abundance with which your table is graced, and give a special thanks also for those who have produced your food.

Think of the farmers and ranchers, the products of whose labor you enjoy. Think also of the farm workers whose backbreaking labor has contributed to your abundance. And recall the peasant-farmers of other lands whose produce is set before you.

Do not forget the countless operators of granaries, workers in canneries, bakeries, and processing plants, the seamen and dockhands and truckers who have labored long to bring food to your table: the buyers and sellers, market managers and clerks who have helped along the way.

The church today stands beside them all as a reminder of the dignity of all who work the soil, all who tend the herds and flocks, all who process and transport the food we eat.

Give thanks to God for all who have labored, as you pause before Thanksgiving dinner. And ask that God may bless them and you as all of us are related to one another. What a real Thanksgiving that will be!



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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
(A United Church of Christ)

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

November 27, 1977

PRELUDE Adagio from Concerto in G Major  
Cecile Swenson, flute; Carolyn Lee, piano

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 103

"Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus"

\*RESPONSIVE READING No. 114, page 541

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

God of Light unfailing who promised us that we shall know the truth and the truth shall make us free: forgive us for our love of bondage to what is false. From prejudice by which we deny the truth to others, from fear of what the light reveals, from preference for what the dark protects, come liberate us now. By the truth of your holy love that welcomes us despite our falseness, give us courage to seek and to find your will for us. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Wake, Awake for Night Is Flying"

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Joyce Nelson

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERTORY

Offertory

"How Brightly Beams the Morning Star"

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

CALENDAR

Sunday

1:15 a.m. Choir rehearsal.  
1:30 a.m. Family Worship Service.

Monday

1:30 a.m. Rehab Recreation Program.  
1:00 p.m. Boy Scouts  
1:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday

1:45 a.m. TAMBS.  
1:30 p.m. Orientation meeting for new members

Wednesday

1:15 p.m. Confirmation Class.

Thursday

1:30 p.m. Novel Reading Group.

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Two more drivers are needed for Home Delivered Meals. Call Helen Seymour (728-1854) if you can help. This service is much appreciated.

On behalf of several students from foreign countries who were entertained in Pilgrim Church for Thanksgiving, please accept thanks. Ben Plumb, Foreign Students Committee of the UMD Faculty Women's Club.

It is not too late to contribute to the Thanksgiving Offering. As of Friday \$211 had been received for this special offering for Our Christian World Mission. Thanksgiving offering envelopes are in the pew racks.

The annual Christmas program of Church Women will take place at 1:30 Thursday afternoon at Lakeside Presbyterian Church. Wives of area ministers will be honored. The East High Choralists will sing.



MUTUAL MINISTRY

Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you.

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"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"

TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 24:36-44

MON

"Jesus Said Why He Came"

AYER

PROFESSIONAL HYMN 110

"O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

EDICATION

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Allegretto

Ashford

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come to visitors. You are invited to join us  
the coffee-koolaid fellowship following the  
vice. If you would like to learn more about  
church program, please speak to the minister  
call 724-8503.

flowers this morning are given by Mrs. R. H.  
se in memory of her husband, Raymond H. Rouse.

welcome to our service today the ninth grade  
ss from First Lutheran Church.

MENT WORKSHOP next Sunday afternoon, 3:00-5:00  
Fellowship Hall. Save the date and plan to  
e. All are welcome. Get ideas and make gifts  
home decorations for Christmas. For details  
the flier in this week's Pilgrim News.

Women's Fellowship annual Christmas luncheon  
l be served Wednesday, December 7, at 12:30.  
sts will be welcome. Reservations are needed  
Monday, December 5. The program will include  
ic by the Ray Baker Singers and a Christmas  
ry presented by Pearl Fuller.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
ie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

NOVEMBER 27, 1977

MATTHEW 24:36-44

It is easy to mark off the days until Christmas: to mail greetings, set up a tree, wrap gifts, and get in supplies for the holidays. But "the coming of the Son" is not so manageable. A rabbinical saying goes, "Three things come unexpectedly: Messiah, the discovery of treasure, and a scorpion." Thus, the Advent cry: "Watch!" Interrupt the routine of existing. Listen to the ancient hope. Look beneath life's surface for signs of God's life. "Watch!"

### ADVENT: TIME TO WAIT

You and I know people who just will not wait.

At a traffic light, they race the engine of a car, ready to charge forward the instant the signal changes — or the second before.

In a restaurant, they can't wait while a creative chef cooks a culinary treat. So, from the kitchens they get pre-portioned, pre-cooked, fast-frozen food, processed in Omaha, Atlanta, or Los Angeles, to be warmed-over and quick-served in Framingham, Fresno, or Fort Wayne.

Eager to cash in on the Christmas trade, stores hang plastic decorations and blare carols over loudspeakers as early as November 1.

Congregations begin to celebrate Christmas with nativity songs as soon as the strains of "Come, Ye Thankful People" die away. This early use of Christmas music robs Christmas Day of its freshness and profound joy.

Advent is a time to "Wait!" — to ready one's soul by prayer, one's faith by reflecting on the prophets' hope and its fulfillment in Jesus. Advent is a season when, by action that is just, merciful, and loving, we get our lives and world ready for Christ's coming today. "I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope."

Rev. George S. Siudy, Jr.  
Secretary for Stewardship Education  
United Church of Christ

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## THE WAY OF THE LORD





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
(A United Church of Christ)

WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION  
Second Sunday in Advent

December 4, 1977

10:30 A.M.

Service of the Word

PRELUDE "Nun Komm, der Heiden Heiland" J.S. Bach  
(Savior of the Heathen, Come)  
"Gott, Durch Deine Güte" J.S. Bach  
(Once He Came in Blessing)

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 114

"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"

\*CALL TO PRAISE

Minister: The Lord is with us.

People: He is with us indeed.

Minister: Let us celebrate his coming.

\*GLORIA PATRI

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in silence)

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OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Reception of New Members (see insert)

Thomas and Laurel Erickson

Mrs. A. Ray (Pearl) Wilcox

SCRIPTURE READING

Mint Kunkel

Isaiah 11:1-5

Romans 12:1-2

SERMON

"Can We Live Like Christians  
Outside the Monastery?"

PRAYERS

CHORAL RESPONSE

Service of the Upper Room

OFFERING

Offertory

\*Doxology

"Mary"

Wetzler

The Welcome to New Members

then as members of this church, gladly welcome you to a part with us in the hopes, the labors, and the joys of the Church of Christ. We promise to walk with you in Christian love and sympathy, and to promote, as far as in us lies, your growth in the Christian life.

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service in the adjoining room.

Ushers for the month of December: Patrick Smith, Captain, Robert E. Heller, Robert W. Johnson, Nancy Johnson, Christine Underdahl.

Make your Christmas shopping easy. Visit the RRV table in Salter Hall this morning and in Fellowship Hall this afternoon.

THIS WEEK

Monday. Advent Workshop, 3-5:00, Fellowship Hall.

Monday. 7:00 Boy Scouts. 7:30 Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday. 7:30 p.m. Board of Christian Education (dessert and coffee) in the parlor.

Wednesday. 10:30 a.m. Women's Fellowship Board.

12:30 p.m. Christmas guest luncheon. Program: music by the Ray Baker Singers and a reading by Pearl Fuller.

6:30 p.m. Webelos (small dining room)

7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class (the Loft)

Thursday. 7:00 p.m. TAMBS Group Advent Supper party at Kathy Hanson's, 415 N. 21st Ave. E.

Friday. from 1:00 to 4:00, United Cerebral Palsy Christmas party in Fellowship Hall.

Saturday. December 18 - Annual Carol Sing and Family Dinner at 5:00 p.m.



ADVENT is a time for

... WAITING  
... PREPARING  
... COMING

this is what we've been doing and

TODAY is the DAY  
to come to the

### ADVENT WORKSHOP

a time of fellowship and creative activity which, for some  
can symbolize the deeper meaning of this season in the church year!

3 - 5 p. m.

### Candlelighting Service

led by the Casserberg family

Things everyone can make!

Music

Refreshments

Child Care

a nominal charge for materials used

\*Prayer of Dedication

PEACE

(Shake hands with your neighbors and wish them  
"Shalom")

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"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Minister: Beloved, this is the joyful feast of  
the people of God.

Come and gather about the table of the  
Lord.

People: Behold how pleasant and good it is when  
brothers and sisters dwell in unity.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is good that we do.

ORAL SANCTUS

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

concluding with the Lord's Prayer in unison

COMMUNION

Worshipers will come forward in groups as guided  
by the Diaconate. Each group will be dismissed  
with the words, "Go in peace." The deacons will  
be glad to serve persons in the pews.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

STLUDE

"How Brightly Shines the Morning Star"

Pachelbel

The Thanksgiving Offering for Our Christian  
World Mission totals \$395 to date. There is  
still time to contribute.

Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Miss Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT HEALTH AND WELFARE SUNDAY

DECEMBER 4, 1977

MATTHEW 3:1-12

How do we prepare "the way of the Lord?" Christ's way is prepared by our repentance of self-anxiety, destructive hate, exclusive love, obsession with "success," and the idolatry of business and politics that run on greed and on the lust for power. He moves toward us by way of our discernment of the mystery and of the love that lie at the core of existence. He draws near along the highway of our hope in God, who guides the years with a strong and purposeful hand. Over craggy hills and through shaded vales, Christ comes into this strange and rough world, bringing courage, peace, and joy.

### HEALTH CARE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHRIST

"Life," according to one sage, "is not merely being alive but being well." Evangelical Hospital Association (EHA) in suburban Chicago would certainly agree. Largest of the 110 agencies associated with our United Church of Christ Council for Health and Welfare Services, Evangelical Hospital Association has been contributing to the quality of life since 1906. EHA provides centralized management for Christ Hospital (815 beds) in Oak Lawn, Good Samaritan Hospital (287 beds) in Downers Grove, and Good Shepherd Hospital (166 beds), which is under construction near Barrington. The hospitals provide high-quality medical care and EHA's unified services help to control costs to patients.

In addition to the delivery of health care, EHA operates Evangelical School of Nursing and is associated for training medical personnel with the Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center. EHA also cooperates in a program of clinical-pastoral education with the Lutheran School of Theology.

Evangelical Hospital Association's motto, "Health Care in the Ministry of Christ," and its commitment to the care of the whole person, is reflected in the lives of nearly 35,000 patients served by EHA each year.



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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
(A United Church of Christ)

Third Sunday in Advent

December 11, 1977

PRELUDE

Svanen

Adoration

Ann Anderson, Violin

10:30 a.m. Palmgren-Sandby

Felix Borowski

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 117

"Angels, From the Realms of Glory"

\*RESPONSIVE PSALTER No. 94, page 531

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

We confess to you, O God, and to one another,  
that there are forces in us that turn us away  
from love, from truth, from faithfulness to you  
and to one another. We seek the grace of your  
forgiveness and transforming power that we may  
worship sincerely and respond with understanding  
to the Word you speak in our midst. Through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Wachet auf" ("Sleepers, Wake")

J.S. Bach

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Biz Spencer

Isaiah 35:1-10

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" arr. Holst

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you.

\*HYMN 140

"What Child Is This?"

CALENDAR

Sunday

9:15 a.m. Teachers' meeting, C. E. office.  
9:30 a.m. Choir rehearsal.  
9:30 a.m. Worship Service and Church School.  
10:30 p.m. Pilgrim Fellowship. Program: E.R.A.,  
Cathy Beck, leader.

Monday

9:30 a.m. Rehab Recreation Program.  
2:00 noon Board of Trustees.  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts.  
7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.  
8:00 p.m. DACLD board meeting.

Tuesday

6:45 a.m. TAMBS.  
2:00 p.m. Christmas party for Pilgrim members  
at St. Ann's.  
6:00 p.m. Multiple Sclerosis Society Christmas  
Party in Fellowship Hall.  
7:30 p.m. Church Council meeting, parlor.

Wednesday

2:30 p.m. Group 1 at Polly Harlow's, 326 Wild-  
wood Drive.  
Group 2 at Edna Fox's, 3722 Greysolon  
Road.  
4:30 p.m. Confirmation Class.

Thursday

9:30 a.m. Rehab Recreation Program Christmas  
Party.  
7:30 p.m. Novel Reading Group, parlor.

At 7:00 this evening Bach's "Mass in B minor"  
will be presented in the Duluth Auditorium by the  
Duluth-Superior Symphony Orchestra, the Symphony  
Chorus, area college choruses, soloists, and with  
Joseph Hawthorne as conductor.



NEW TESTAMENT READING

Colossians 3:12-17

SERMON

"Christmas Means Someone You Can Help  
Pick Out a Hat"

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 120

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Noel

D'Aquin

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Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us  
for the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service.

The flowers this morning are given by Miss Anna  
Jenks and Miss Edna Jenks in memory of their  
father and mother, Martin Lane Jenks and Lindsay  
Gar Jenks.

The annual Christmas carol sing and family pot-  
luck dinner will be held next Sunday afternoon with  
the carol sing starting at 5:00 in Salter Hall fol-  
lowed by the dinner. Your colony telephone callers  
will tell you what to bring. Please call the  
church office for a reservation if no one has  
called you by Wednesday afternoon.

SERRV articles are available on Salter Hall this  
morning. Anyone wishing SERRV items after today  
may call Jeanne Parson, 724-3906, or Eva Danielson,  
28-5008.

Building on Commitment Report: as of Thursday  
80 pledges had been received. Some of the call-  
ers are still completing their assignments.

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IN MEMORIAM

Sigrid M. Mitchell

a member since March 1929

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Lsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



### THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

DECEMBER 11, 1977

MATTHEW 11:2-11

A little girl dies at Capernaum, and Jesus stops the dirge of funeral flutes by restoring her life. A woman hemorrhages for twelve years until, one day, she touches Jesus' robe, and the crimson flow is stanchied. A paralytic is brought on a bed to Jesus and is set on his feet in the dawn of a new existence. Such deeds define Jesus' Messiahship. He comes, not with "unquenchable fire" but as the mediator of divine mercy. He is not an "axe laid at the root of the trees" but a physician who heals bodies and souls. He brings, not burdensome accusation, but liberation into a new life.

### WHAT ARE WE DOING FOR THE HUNGRY?

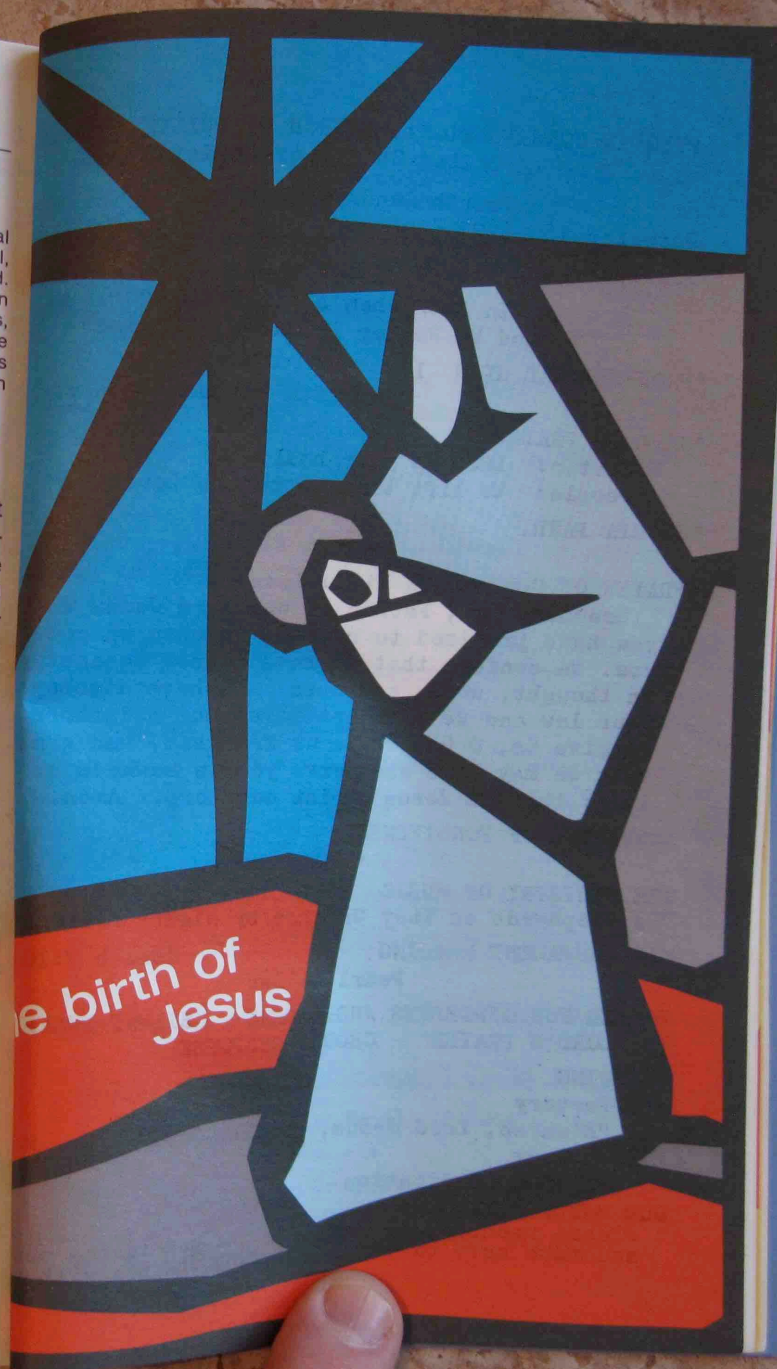
In 1976, national agencies of the United Church of Christ spent approximately \$3.6 million on hunger-related programs and projects. Most of this (89%) was through the ongoing work of the United Church Boards for World and Homeland Ministries. The remainder was spent by other instrumentalities of the church and by the inter-agency World Hunger Working Group on a wide variety of special projects.

The Hunger Action Fund (HAF), which supplements what is done for hunger through Basic Support of Our Christian World Mission and through the all-church and special offerings, allocated grants totaling approximately \$70,000 in 1976 and another \$40,000 in 1977 to projects in constituency education and mobilization, public policy advocacy, aid and development, and theological and ethical studies. Some of these projects are sponsored by conferences of the United Church of Christ, others by our national agencies.

Whenever you are asked, "What is the United Church of Christ doing in response to human hunger?" you can answer, "Nearly one dollar of every five given to national work of the U.C.C. goes for hunger-related efforts."



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PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF DULUTH, MINNESOTA  
(A United Church of Christ)

Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 18, 1977

PRELUDE

"Lo, How a Rose"

"In Bethlehem's Low Stable"

"To God We Render Thanks and Praise"

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 119

"As with Gladness Men of Old"

\*CALL TO PRAISE

Minister: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ  
you have promised to receive us when we come to  
you. We confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed. We have disobeyed  
your law and we have not loved our neighbors.  
Forgive us, O God, free us from sin, and grant  
that we may live and serve you in newness of  
life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"To Shepherds as They Watched by Night" Praetorium

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Pearl Fuller

Isaiah 7:10-11

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory

"E'en so, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come"

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

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and take note of who is sharing the pew with you

HYMN 137

NEW TESTAMENT READING

SERMON "Christmas Is for the Children"

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 141

BENEDICTION

PRELUDE

"Von Himmel Hoch"

Pachelbel

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Welcome to visitors. You are invited to join us  
the coffee-koolaid fellowship after the service.

The flowers this morning are given in memory of  
Walter W. Matzke by his family.

The 7th and 8th grade class has finished its mural  
the Tower Room and invites everyone to brave  
climbing the stairs to see it. The mural portrays  
the Conversion of Paul.

If you need a sitter for the Christmas Eve service  
(8:00 p.m.) please let us know by Tuesday.

Monday, 7:30 p.m. Choir rehearsal.

Tuesday, 6:45 a.m. TAMBS

Wednesday, 7:15 p.m. Confirmation Class

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TODAY AT 5:00 P.M.

Annual Carol Sing in Salter Hall

Annual Pot-luck in Fellowship Hall

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CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE 8:00 P.M.

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CHRISTMAS WORSHIP (SUNDAY) 10:30 A.M.

This will be a Family Sunday

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister

Isie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education

Ray R. Baker, Organist and Choir Director



## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT

DECEMBER 18, 1977

MATTHEW 1:18-25

Distant mountains appear to dissolve in azure haze. Only when we are nearby do we see the ice and rock. So the Christ. The ancient anticipation and modern recollection of Jesus have often enveloped him in romantic mist. But to those nearby, Jesus brought a different experience. The expectation of his birth endangered the betrothal of Mary to Joseph. His career alienated his family. His teaching scandalized religious leaders. His Messiahship disappointed the disciples. Yet, in the birth of Jesus, God entered our history, to bring humankind a strong, strange, and sure salvation.

### RESPOND—WITH EYES WIDE OPEN!

When you see what God has done in the world and learn the good news of God's mercy, the only adequate response is to give yourself to God's purpose. With eyes wide open—that's the way to respond to God!

Paul gives some straight-out advice to those whose eyes have caught the vision:

You want to preach? Then preach the big vision!

You want to serve? Then make that your specialty!

Or teach? Give it all you have!

*Romans 12:6ff*

While all of us are called to witness, pastors are uniquely called to the tasks of preaching, teaching, and serving. Because their eyes have been wide open to the vision, they have helped us to see it also.

Some ministers, who have thus served us in the past and who are now retired, have special needs. The Christmas Fund, received annually by the Pension Boards of the United Church of Christ, honors all these senior servants of the church and directly helps several hundred who need a special Christmas check. The Christmas Fund also provides year-round help to ministers and their families to meet emergencies beyond their resources.

The Christmas Fund gives us the opportunity to follow Paul's next words of advice: You want to give? Give freely! Be responsible! And finally, if you have sympathy, act cheerfully!



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## PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

United Church of Christ

DULUTH, MINNESOTA

## Candlelight Choral Service

Christmas Eve, 1977

8:00 p. m.

ROYAL F. SHEPARD, JR., *Minister*

RAY R. BAKER, *Director of Music*



## Order of Worship

### PRELUDE

Trio Sonata No. 1  
Trio

FRANCES LEEK, *flute*, and ANNE LEEK, *Oboe*

### CHORAL INTROIT "Birthday Greeting"

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN (please stand) "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

O come, all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold him, born the King of angels;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God, all glory in the highest;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord!

Yea, Lord, we greet thee, born this happy morning,  
Jesus, to thee be all glory given;  
Word of the Father, now in flesh appearing;  
O come, let us adore him, O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him, Christ, the Lord! Amen.

(The congregation may be seated after the hymn)

### INVOCATION

### "MOTETS FOR THE SEASON OF CHRISTMAS" Francis Poulenc

"O magnum mysterium" The Pilgrim Church Quartet

"O how great the mystery and how wonderful the covenant, that  
beasts behold the Lord as a babe new born and lying in a manger.  
Blessed virgin, hallowed is thy womb that it could carry the  
Lord Christ."

### OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 62:10-12

### "THE MAGNIFICAT"

The Choir

Purcell-Kleinsasser

### CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

#### "ANGELS WE HAVE HEARD ON HIGH"

Angels we have heard on high sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
And the mountains in reply echo back their joyous strains.

Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.

Come to Bethlehem and see Him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come adore on bended knee, Christ, the Lord, the newborn King.

#### "WHILE SHEPHERDS WATCHED THEIR FLOCKS"

While shepherds watched their flocks by night, all seated on the ground,  
The angel of the Lord came down, and glory shone around.  
And glory shone around.

"Fear not," said he, for mighty dread had seized their troubled mind,  
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring to you and all mankind.  
To you and all mankind."

### "O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM"

O little town of Bethlehem,  
How still we see thee lie!  
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep  
The silent stars go by;  
Yet in thy dark streets shineth  
The everlasting Light;  
The hopes and fears of all the years  
Are met in thee tonight.

O holy Child of Bethlehem  
Descend to us, we pray;  
Cast out our sin, and enter in;  
Be born in us today.  
We hear the Christmas angels  
The great glad tidings tell;  
O come to us, abide with us,  
Our Lord Emmanuel!

### NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Matthew 2:1-12

### THREE CAROLS BY THE CHOIR

"Christ Was Born on Christmas Day"

Shaw-Parker

"All my Heart this night Rejoices"

Kenneth Jennings

(Recorders: WILLIAM VAN DRUTEN, SABRA ANDERSON)

"He Is Born"

arr. Roger Wagner

### CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS

#### "AWAY IN A MANGER"

Away in a manger,  
No crib for his bed,  
The little Lord Jesus  
Laid down his sweet head.  
The stars in the sky  
Looked down where he lay,  
The little Lord Jesus,  
Asleep on the hay.

The cattle are lowing,  
The baby awakes,  
But little Lord Jesus,  
No crying he makes,  
I love thee, Lord Jesus,  
Look down from the sky  
And stay by my cradle  
Till morning is nigh.

#### "IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR"

It came upon the midnight clear, that glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth to touch their harps of gold.  
"Peace on the earth, good will to men, from heaven's all gracious King."  
The world in solemn stillness lay to hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come, with peaceful wings unfurled,  
And still their heavenly music floats o'er all the weary world;  
Above its sad and lowly plains they bend on hovering wing,  
And ever o'er its Babel sounds the blessed angels sing.

#### "SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT"

Silent Night, Holy Night!  
All is calm, all is bright;  
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child,  
Holy Infant so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.

Silent Night! Holy Night!  
Shepherds quake at the sight,  
Glories stream from heaven afar,  
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia  
Christ, the Saviour, is born!  
Christ, the Saviour, is born!

Silent Night, Holy Night!  
Son of God, love's pure light,  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,  
With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth!  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth!



RECESSIONAL (Please stand)

Joy to the world! the Lord is come:  
Let earth receive her King;  
Let every heart prepare him room,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven and nature sing,  
And heaven, and heaven and  
nature sing.

"Joy to the World"  
Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns;  
Let men their songs employ;  
While fields and floods, rocks,  
hills, and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat the sounding joy,  
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of his righteousness,  
And wonders of his love,  
And wonders of his love,  
And wonders, wonders of his love. Amen.

BENEDICTION (please be seated and remain in the pews until the candles  
have been extinguished)

RINGING OF THE CHRISTMAS BELLS

POSTLUDE AND EXTINGUISHING OF THE CANDLES

Variations on "Puer Nobis" (Unto us a boy is born)

arr. David N. Johnson

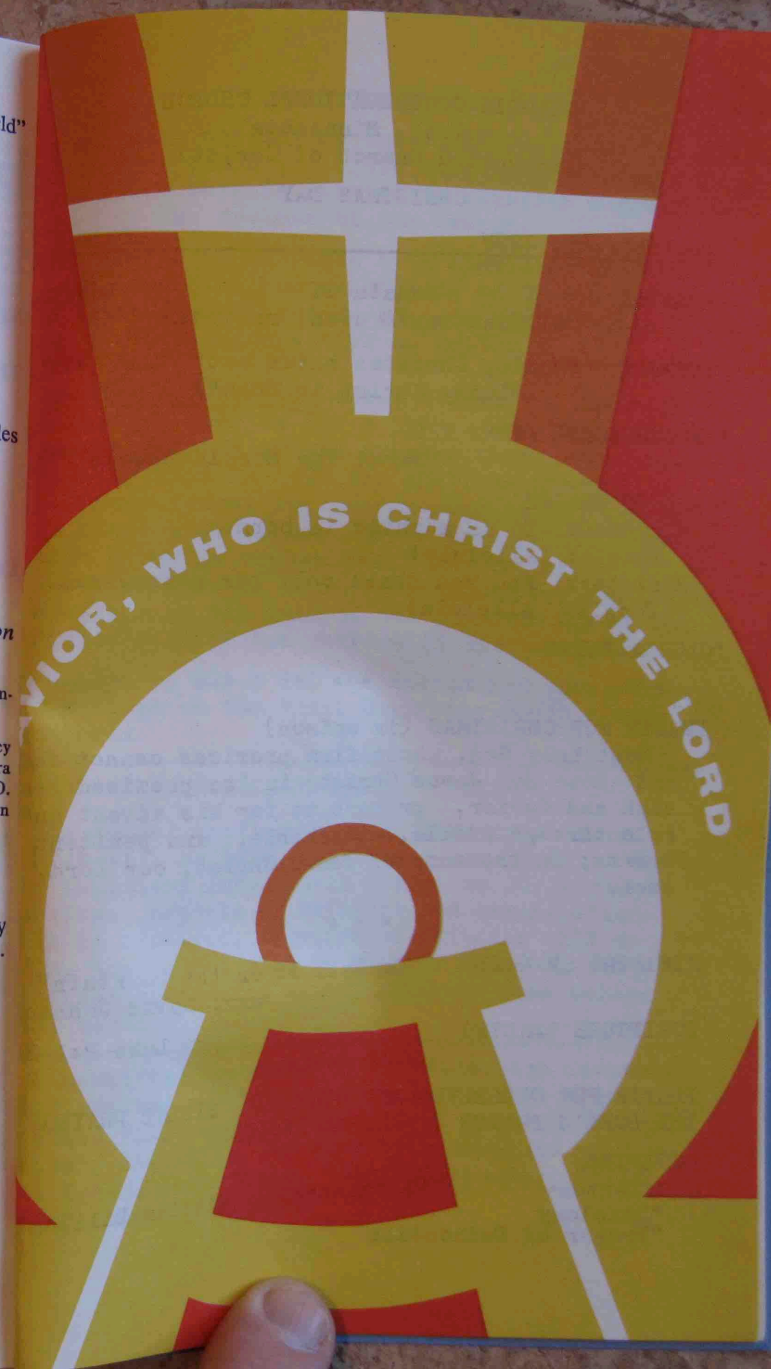
*Acolytes and Ushers:* Patrick Smith, captain, Greg Amundson, Cathy Beck, Don Gemunden, Ann Knabe, Doug Magney, Julie Stoltz, Kim Swain, Pat Tierney.

*The Choir:* Dennis Anderson, Gloria Bouschor, Midge Brooker, Percy Dunbar, Nancy Fifield, Patty Fuller, Shirley Grindy, Kathie Hanson, Ted Harwood, Joan Hollen, Laura Lamb, Carolyn Lee, Ted Lee, Edith Livingston, John Morrison, Jeanette Myers, John D. Olund, Sandy Sellwood, Linda Talbot, Carol Tierney, William van Druten, Pattie van Druten, William Van Evera, Jean Walters.

*Bell ringers:* Barbara Brownell, Nancy Heller, Martha Livingston, Roy Shepard.

*The flowers on the communion table* are given by Jane Baldwin in memory of her parents, Albert and Abigail Clapp Baldwin, and her sister, Mary B. Richmond.

*Christmas Family Worship* will be held tomorrow morning at 10:30.





PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH  
Duluth, Minnesota  
(A United Church of Christ)  
CHRISTMAS DAY

December 25, 1977

PRELUDE Sonata II  
William van Druten, recorder

INTROIT "Hodie, Christus natus est"  
("Today Christ is Born")

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 120

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

\*CALL TO PRAISE

Minister: To us a child is born.

People: Alleluia!

Minister: And you shall call his name Jesus.

People: Alleluia!

\*GLORIA PATRI

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PRAYER FOR CHRISTMAS (in unison)

Most holy God, whose firm promises cannot fail  
and whose Son Jesus Christ is the promised Mes-  
siah and Savior, prepare us for his advent and  
rule through humble, teachable, and penitent  
hearts; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.  
Amen.

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MINISTRY OF MUSIC "Go Tell It on the Mountain"  
arr. David Johnson

SCRIPTURE READING

Ruth Lewis

Luke 2:1-20

PRAYER FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS SILENT PRAYER  
THE LORD'S PRAYER CHORAL RESPONSE

OFFERING

Offertory

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

"Bethlehem"

William Billings

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A business meeting of the congregation is called  
for Sunday, January 1, 1978 immediately following  
the morning worship service to consider a proposed  
change to the By-Laws of the Church.

The change is proposed by a committee appointed  
by the Moderator and consisting of Gloria Bouschor  
and Keith Fawcett and recommends that Article E,  
Section 2, Paragraph 1 be as follows:

The Music Committee shall consist of six members,  
two to be elected for a three-year term at each  
Annual Meeting of the congregation, with the ex-  
ception that in 1978 two shall be elected to  
one-year terms, two to two-year terms, and two  
to three-year terms. After serving two consecu-  
tive terms, a member shall be ineligible for re-  
election for one year. The committee shall hold  
meetings at the call of the chairperson or the  
minister or of two members of the committee.

Paragraph 2, which defines duties and concludes  
the section on the Music Committee would remain  
unchanged.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of Pilgrim Congregational  
Church will be held on Sunday, January 22, 1978 in  
the sanctuary immediately after the 10:30 church  
service. Reports of officers and organizations  
will be received, election of officers will be  
held, the budget will be adopted and such other  
business transacted as may properly come before  
this meeting.

A committee appointed by the Moderator to recom-  
mend whether and how the Church Covenant might be  
revised will report at the Annual Meeting Sunday,  
January 22, 1978. The committee consists of Ruth  
Ann Eaton, Craft Dryer, Gladys Carpenter, Cliff  
Grindy and Kay Lundberg.



LENTEN STUDY GROUPS

During five Monday evenings in Lent (Feb. 13, 27; March 6, 13, 20) Dr. Shepard plans to lead a study group devoted to one of the themes described below. Each meeting, which will last from 7:30 to 9:00, will begin with a brief devotional period. If you wish to be part of this program, please check below the two themes that are of most interest to you.

— CHRISTIAN WORSHIP AND THE LITURGICAL YEAR. A member of the Board of Christian Education has suggested that we learn more about the traditional church year. This enterprise would be combined with a simple survey of the heritage of Christian worship, possibly including visits to other churches.

— FUTURE PAPERS. These are some very readable little study booklets prepared recently by the Office for Church and Society of the United Church of Christ on Children's Rights, Nuclear Energy, Genetic Manipulation, Work Patterns and Outer Space.

— BIBLE STORIES. Ruth, Jonah, the stories of Saul, David and others.

— GREAT AMERICAN SERMONS. A look at a different sermon each week by American preachers from Jonathan Edwards to Martin Luther King, with biographical and historical background provided.

— MODERN CHRISTIAN MYSTICS. A condensed and simplified version of a course Dr. Shepard taught to ministers. Samples of writing by Teilhard, Merton, Rufus Jones etc.

— THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST STATEMENT OF FAITH. We would read together the study book prepared by Roger Shinn and Daniel Williams to go with this statement.

— TWO MODERN CLASSICS ON RELIGION. Martin Buber's, I and Thou and Paul Tillich's, Dynamics of Faith. A way of getting a handle on the current preacher at Pilgrim Church.

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Your name

Please return to the church office.



HYMN 116

OUR MUTUAL MINISTRY

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

Advent Clock

Please record your names on the pad in the pew  
and take note of who is sharing the pew with you.

ACCORDION SOLO

"The Little Drummer Boy"  
Bobby Lundberg

SERMON

"What I Like About Angels" Dr. Shepard

RECESSIONAL HYMN 117

"Angels, From the Realms of Glory"

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fantasy on  
"He is Born, the Infant King"  
Richard Hudson

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A welcome to visitors and to all who are home  
for the holidays. Please join us for the coffee-  
social fellowship in Salter Hall after the serv-  
ice. Ellis Livingston, chairman of the Diaconate, is  
host.

The flowers are given by Dr. and Mrs. Malcolm M.  
Fifield in memory of her father, Grant R. Willard,  
and her brother, John William Willard, and by Dr.  
and Mrs. Warren J. Brooker in memory of his father,  
Jay E. Brooker.

The church staff excepting the minister will be  
away tomorrow. The minister will be alone in the  
church office and will welcome any friendly calls.  
He will be away Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Tuesday morning Bible study group will meet  
this week at Keith Brownell's, 2331 E. 5th Street.

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Royal F. Shepard, Jr., Th.D., Minister  
Elsie Jean Austin, Director of Christian Education  
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## CHRISTMAS DAY

DECEMBER 25, 1977

LUKE 2:1-14

Luke's Gospel names two Benefactors. One is Caesar Augustus, whose decree sent Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem. He forged an empire so rich and vast that Rome hailed him as Savior and some proposed to begin the year on his birthday. Today, the name of Caesar Augustus is a faint echo of antiquity, heard chiefly because of his unwitting role in the birth of Jesus, the world's true Benefactor. This Jesus is the God-sent Savior. He brings such treasure and power to the human spirit and has so transformed the world's life that every year is now *anno Domini*, the year of Christ the Lord.

## CHRISTMAS LISTS

What is Christmas without lists? . . . Lists of shopping to be done; food, gifts, supplies; lists of cards to be mailed, and of greetings received; lists of "specials" to watch on television; lists of social events to attend; lists of household chores and decoration duties; lists, lists . . .

How about heading each list: "For Jesus' sake . . ."

Let your personal commitment to Him as your Savior and Lord be reflected in

what you buy—for yourself and for others.

whom you remember with cards and calls—and why.

what you watch on television

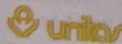
which social functions you attend—and what you do.

what emotional atmosphere radiates in your residence.

If your list is truly in keeping with the purpose, "For Jesus's sake," and if you fulfill what you have listed for yourself to do, you will help "all flesh see the salvation of God" that is so dramatically evidenced during the Advent Season.

Reverend David Currie  
First Presbyterian Church  
Seguin, Texas

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